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"GOD BLESS YOU ALL: GOD SAVE THE KING"

EX-SOVEREIGN'S LAST MESSAGE TO HIS EMPIRE

Edward Windsor, Esq. Leaving
England for Lengthy Period

BUT STILL READY TO SERVE
CROWN AS PRIVATE CITIZEN

LONDON, DECEMBER 11.

PRINCE EDWARD, NO LONGER KING-EMPEROR, BROADCAST A FAREWELL MESSAGE TO THE BRITISH EMPIRE TO-DAY FROM WINDSOR CASTLE.

"At long last I am able to say these few words. I never wanted to withhold anything, but until now it has not been constitutionally possible for me to speak. A few hours ago, I discharged my last duty as King and Emperor and now I have been succeeded by my brother, the Duke of York," he said.

"My first words must be to declare my allegiance to him, and this I do with all my heart.

"You all know the reasons which impelled me to renounce the throne. But I want you to understand that in making up my mind, I did not forget my country or the Empire which as Prince of Wales and King I, for twenty-five years, have tried to serve. But you must believe me when I tell you that I found it impossible to carry the heavy burden of responsibility and discharge the duties as King as I would wish to do without the help and support of the woman I love, and I want you to know that the decision I made has been mine alone.

"This was a thing I had to judge entirely for myself.

"The other person most nearly concerned has tried up to the last to persuade me to take a different course. I made this, the most serious decision of my life, only with the single thought of what would in the end be the best for all.

"The decision has been made less difficult for me by the sure knowledge that my brother, with his long training in the public affairs of the country and his fine qualities will be able to take my place forthwith, without interruption or injury to the life and progress of the Empire. And he has one matchless blessing enjoyed by so many of you and not bestowed on me, a happy home with his wife and children.

PRaises His Mother

"During these hard days I have been comforted by Her Majesty, my mother, and my family. The Ministers of the Crown, particularly Mr. Stanley Baldwin, have always treated me with full consideration.

"There have never been any constitutional differences between them and me, or between me and Parliament.

"Bred in constitutional traditions by my father, I should never have allowed any such issue to arise. Ever since I was Prince of Wales and later when I occupied the throne, I have been treated with the greatest kindness by all classes of people wherever I lived or journeyed throughout the Empire, and for that I am very grateful.

Will Be Long Abroad

"I am now quit altogether of public affairs, and lay down the burden.

"It may be some time before I return to my native land, but I shall always follow the fortunes of the British race and Empire with profound interest, and it at any time in the future I can be found of service to His Majesty in my private station, I shall not fail.

"And now we have a new King. I wish him, and you, his people, happiness and prosperity with all my heart.

"God bless you all.

"GOD SAVE THE KING."

Plain Mr. Windsor

Although he was introduced by the BBC announcer, Mr. John Reith, as "Prince Edward," the ex-King has not any royal title, and no style except Edward Windsor, Esq., unless the new King gives him a title in recognition of his great services to the Empire.—*Reuter.*

KING'S POWERS CURTAILED

BY NEW FREE STATE
LEGISLATION

Dublin, Dec. 11.

Fundamental changes in the Constitution of the Irish Free State were made in a bill which the chief executive, Mr. Eamon de Valera, laid before an animated special session of the Dail this afternoon.

It was intimated to the British Government that the Free State was unable to agree to the exact terms of procedure adopted by Great Britain and the Dominions for legislation arising out of the constitutional crisis, as provided by the Statute of Westminster.

Therefore the Dail decided to introduce two bills dealing with the Constitution and external relations respectively. The bills provide recognition of the new King, but the function which the monarch is to exercise henceforth in the administration of the Free State is limited.

The Free State declared that as long as its association with Australia, Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand and South Africa, and so long as the King was recognised by these nations for the purpose of appointment of diplomatic and consular representatives and the conclusion of international agreements, so long the King would be recognised as authorised to act on its behalf for like purposes.

Virtually, the bill means that the King's name will be removed from all internal Government activity, being retained only in matters respecting and affecting external relations.

The position of Governor-General is also abolished, his duties being delegated to the Speaker of the Dail. Mr. de Valera pointed out that the bills do not sever the Free State's connections with the British Commonwealth.—*Reuter.*

ABOLITION ACT

Dublin, Dec. 11.
The Dail, by 79 to 54, passed the constitutional amendment bill

QUEEN THANKS PEOPLE

GREAT AFFECTION
SUSTAINED HER

London, Dec. 11.

In a message to the nation and the Empire to-day, Queen Mary said:

"I have been so deeply touched by the sympathy which has surrounded me during this time of anxiety that I must send a message of gratitude from the bottom of my heart for the sympathy and affection which sustained me. In the great sorrow less than a year ago and is now expressed once again.

"I need not speak to you of the distress which fills a mother's heart when I think of my dear son who has laid down his charge; and of the relief which began with so much hope and promise so suddenly ended.

"I know you realise what it cost him to come to this decision and will remember him for the years in which he so eagerly served and so unselfishly, his country and his Empire.

You will, I hope, keep a grateful remembrance of him, your former King. I commend to you his brother, summoned so unexpectedly and in circumstances so painful, to take his place. I ask you to give him the full measure of generous loyalty which you gave to my beloved husband and which you would willingly have continued to his brother. I commend with him my dear daughter-in-law, who will be Queen. May she receive the same unflinching affection and trust which you have given me for six and twenty years.

"May His blessing and guidance be always—*Reuter Special.*

abolishing the office of Governor-General and deleting the King's name from all internal activities in the Free State.—*Reuter.*

EDWARD GOING ABROAD



For an undetermined period Edward Windsor, Esq., is going abroad. There is every likelihood that he will leave immediately, probably by his private plane, which flew from Hendon to Fort Belvedere, it is reported, yesterday.

HONGKONG WILL PROCLAIM NEW RULER TO-DAY

We are officially informed from Government House that the Proclamation of His Majesty as King George VI will be made with the prescribed ceremony at the steps of the Supreme Court Building at three o'clock this afternoon.

At 2.15 p.m. those who have been invited by the Governor to associate themselves with the issue of the Proclamation will meet in the Legislative Council Chamber to affix their signatures, and at 2.30 p.m. the Legislative Council will assemble in extraordinary session to pass the following Resolution of Loyalty and Homage:

"We the members of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, assembled for the first time since the accession of our King George VI, desire on behalf of ourselves and of the whole people of this Colony to tender our humble duty, loyal devotion and affectionate homage to His Most Gracious Majesty and pray with one heart and voice that His reign over us may be long, happy, peaceful and glorious. God save the King."

His Excellency will read the Proclamation in the presence of Royal Guards comprising 100 men from the Royal Navy, 100 men from the Army and 50 men from the Royal Air Force, and the massed bands of the Royal Marines and the 2nd Battalion of the East Lancashire Regiment.

At 3.05 p.m. all warships in port will fire a Royal Salute of 21 guns.

READY TO DISCUSS WAR DEBT

BRITISH REPLY TO
UNITED STATES

London, Dec. 11.

The British Government is ready to re-open discussion of the War Debt whenever circumstances warrant a hope of satisfactory results.

This is the purport of a reply by the British Government to the United States.

An American note presented a statement of the British debt recently, and expressed the willingness of the Washington administration to discuss any proposals regarding repayment.—*Reuter.*

TO DEFAULT AGAIN
Washington, Dec. 11.
The State Department announced to-day that Britain had given formal notification of her intention to default on her War Debt instalment of \$117,570,768, due on December 16.

STOP PRESS

Ex-King's Car At Portsmouth

London, Dec. 11.
An automobile belonging to the ex-King has arrived at Portsmouth Dockyard, followed by other cars filled with luggage, their blinds drawn, so that it is impossible to see the occupants.

It is believed Edward Windsor, Esq., is in one of the cars with members of his entourage.—*Reuter.*

ABOARD DESTROYER

Portsmouth, Dec. 11.
Edward Windsor, Esq., has boarded a destroyer.—*United Press.*

GEORGE VI RULES

Proclamation Will Ring Around World To-Day ROYAL ASSENT GIVEN TO BILL OF ABDICATION

BRITAIN'S NEW SOVEREIGN, KING GEORGE VI, WILL BE PROCLAIMED TO-DAY. THE PROCLAMATION WILL RING AROUND THE WORLD, REACHING HONGKONG AT 11 P.M. (LOCAL TIME). IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT THE KING WILL RULE WITH HIS FATHER'S NAME, SAYS A REUTER MESSAGE FROM LONDON.

The Royal Assent to the Bill of Abdication was signed by His Majesty King Edward VIII at 1.52 p.m. G.M.T. (9.52 p.m. last night in Hongkong) and from that moment he ceased to be King.

The Accession Committee will meet at 11 a.m. (Saturday 7 p.m. Hongkong) to approve the Proclamation of the new King.

The Proclamation will be made in London at 11 p.m. Hongkong time, firstly at St. James Palace, and then at the Royal Exchange.

HOUSE TO TAKE OATH AT ONCE

BALDWIN CALLS ON
NEW SOVEREIGN

CHEERED BY
CROWDS

London, Dec. 11.

The House of Commons meets to-morrow to take the oath of allegiance to the new King.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, announced to-day that he would bring a message from the new King at about 6 p.m. on Monday and would read the Address in Reply. Parliament would rise for the Christmas recess on December 18, he added.

The Prime Minister paid his first

KING'S BIRTHDAY

A HOLIDAY

We are officially informed that under Section 3, subsection 8 of Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, His Majesty's birthday, which occurs on Monday, December 14, is a general holiday.

Exchange Banks will be closed all day.

call upon King George at the latter's residence in Piccadilly at 4 p.m. to-day. He was loudly acclaimed by the waiting crowd.

Ex-King Edward's red and blue Dragon aeroplane left Hendon at 2.45 p.m. in the direction of Fort Belvedere, piloted by Wing-Commander Fielden.

To-night Prince Edward will broadcast a message to the Empire.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

The Proceedings at St. James Palace will be broadcast by Daventry in Transmission III, the following transmitters being utilized:

GBS, 31.55 metres 1,519 k.c.
GRF, 19.92 metres 15,140 k.c.
GSH, 13.27 metres 21,419 k.c.

For the first time in history, the Canadian Proclamation of King George VI, which will be made in Ottawa, will be broadcast to the entire world. This Proclamation will be relayed from Canada to England, and will be then relayed over the Empire transmitters. The relay will immediately follow the Proclamation in London.

ZBW will relay Daventry's transmissions.

Dominions' Consent

The Abdication of King Edward VIII has received the consent of Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa, where following passage of the Bill through both Houses of Parliament, Assent has been signed by the respective Governor Generals.

In the Irish Free State, the Dail is already giving consideration to a Constitutional Bill, which, in addition to consenting to the Abdication of King Edward VIII, seeks to abolish the Governor Generalship.

Royal Brothers Dine

London, Dec. 11.

The new King and Queen and the former monarch, Prince Edward, dined together at the Royal Lodge, Windsor, with Queen Mary, the Duke of Gloucester, the Princess Royal and the Princess Elizabeth, Her Presumptive, to-day.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

King's Programme

London, Dec. 11.

Considerable interest is being shown in King George's programme for the forthcoming year. There is much discussion as to what degree His Majesty will carry out the programme previously scheduled for King Edward.

There are strong grounds to hope that the King will visit India next winter, as King Edward intended. He would naturally be accompanied by Queen Elizabeth.

It is hoped before holding a durbar at Delhi that their Majesties may tour India.

Their Majesties' visit will likely be invested with all the pomp of a state tour, as befits a King-Emperor and his Empress.—*Reuter.*

Empire Goes On

London, Dec. 11.

The Mother of Parliaments has seen the passing of another King. Yet the King still reigns, and the Empire is strengthened by the knowledge that it is stronger than any man, and goes on.

With Parliament's swift completion of the legal formalities, the Duke of York became King-Emperor, ruling one quarter of the world's territory as George VI.

The new British sovereign was at his leased home at 145 Piccadilly, busy reading and responding to telegrams of congratulation, when he became King. Ex-King Edward's Royal

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Winter Puts Stop To War

MADRID FRONT IN
FROZEN STATE

Madrid, Dec. 11.

Heavy rain and snow, accompanied by freezing weather, have brought military operations on the Madrid front to a standstill. There is considerable suffering in the trenches.

Meanwhile, Louis de la Roche, 34, of the Paris Soir, a correspondent who was travelling in the French Embassy plane shot down over Guadalupe Tuesday, has died of his wounds.—*United Press.*

Toeing the Line

being advice on newest shoe styles and how to suit them to your feet

YOU choose your clothes on two points: fashion and (equally important) suitability to your particular shape and colouring.

Shoes should be given the same considerations. That your feet are comfortable and in a smart model doesn't necessarily mean that their dressings hide your foot faults. Drawings show four types of feet—the right and wrong shoddings for each of them.

When you've decided that your feet are perfect and you don't have to listen to any of the advice, you can make straight for plain smartness and/or comfort as you've always done.

Remembering that the newest designs are higher fitting—with either straps or front panels built up over the arch; that laces are generally being replaced by studs or buttons; that, for evening, the more your foot looks like a piece of Chinese bandaging the smarter you'll be; and that the phase for low heels (that made so many of us look of the same proportions as a penguin) is well on the way to the old clothes man.

New materials are—for day—gabardine; at night sandals completely encrusted by sparkling coloured stones, pastel satins with vividly contrasting heels.



Drawn by ROBB

Look closely at these pictures
The right foot is right and the left is wrong

From the left:

LONG FEET seem to reach even further in long, high-reaching toe-caps. But if the toe-caps are short and the length broken up by (not too remarkable) buckles the outline of the foot is foreshortened. Day and night this is the foot that should be treated to well-cut Court shoes. Another good model for this foot has elliptical-shaped bands of narrow-ribbed ribbon running round the bodywork.

FAT FEET (not necessarily broad) are just the opposite. In Court shoes, or any low-cut style, they incline to bulge over when worn, so the newest, high-reaching styles are just right for them. Keep any flabbiness well under control.

BROAD FEET look wider than ever if you put them into single-strap shoes. The best model seen for this shaped foot is drawn here. Those narrow, inserted bands make the foot to look as though it is only as wide as they are, instead of going out quite a bit further.

HEELS are the point of this picture. If you're short from knee to ankle (and most women are) don't wear those stubby Louis heels. Straight Span heel will give you the extra height, proportionate to the rest of your figure.

THE NEW BOOTS don't bulge around the ankles. Clipping in close, and stopping short of an ugly outline, they give you the extra warmth and dryness and look pretty good too.

impress the faulty word on the child's memory.

Physical defects which have no direct connection with audible sounds may yet cause a child to be diffident in making the effort to form new words. In fact, any defect appears to delay or to hinder this valuable power of speech.

Blind children are usually backward in this way, unless they have been educated at a special school.

PARENTS can do much to help the timid child to speak by playing simple games, amusing him with toys representing animals.

There should be no attempt at forcing even a normal child to speak; the effort involved means an amount of strain on delicate muscles which adults do not realise.

A precocious child should not be "shown off" as he frequently becomes excited and over-tired as a result.

A brilliant child will stutter in his efforts to express his ideas as rapidly as they come. Here it is necessary to be patient and gentle, encouraging the child to read or to play games rather than to prattle too fast.

Where no effort at speech is made the child should be medically examined. Usually the explanation will be the presence of some defect, either mental or physical. Where this is not apparent, a change of environment may be worth trying; or that the child's daily routine altered so that he feels happy and comfortable and so gains more self-confidence.

WHAT TO DO WITH PUMPKINS

A PUMPKIN is rather a monstrous and embarrassing thing and, fortunately for townfolk, can usually be bought by the pound!

But country-dwellers sometimes achieve a pumpkin or have one thrust upon them, and it may be useful to both town and country folk to have the following suggestions for its disposal.

Pumpkin Soup

CUT a ripe pumpkin into small pieces, boil them for seven minutes in just enough slightly salted water to cover them, and pass them through a wire sieve. Now melt a couple of ounces of butter in a saucepan, add the puree of pumpkin and leave it on a low flame to "dry" for ten minutes or so.

Now stir in a pint of boiling milk and add a pinch of sugar, salt and pepper. Simmer gently for a few minutes and serve.

Pumpkin Pie

As this is an American dish, here is one of several American recipes for it. The cups mentioned are breakfast-cups.

Mix in the following order a cupful and a half of steamed and drained pumpkin, two-thirds of a cup of brown sugar, a teaspoonful of ground cinnamon, half a teaspoonful each of salt and ground ginger, two beaten eggs, a cupful and a half of milk and half a cup of cream.

Bake in a plate lined with your pet pastry.

Jam

PEEL the pumpkin, cut it into pieces and take out the seeds. Weigh the pieces and cut them into small strips. Put these into a basin in layers with your sugar, allowing three-quarters of a pound of sugar to a pound of pumpkin, and then (for each pound of pumpkin) add the grated rind and juice of a lemon and half an ounce of whole ginger crushed and tied in a muslin bag.

Let this stand for 24 hours with a lid on, then cook in a preserving-pan until the jam is thick, stirring it pretty often.

Take out the ginger before putting the jam into pots.



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Learning to TALK

TO-DAY we publish an article on disorders of speech. In this series Dr. Mary Anthony suggests how the normal child can be helped in his first efforts to talk; how the child who stutters can be assisted to overcome his difficulties; how physical and mental defects that retard easy speech can be countered to some extent. In short, how to ensure that the rising generation will be able to talk well and easily.

By
Dr. Mary Anthony

IN our parents' time very little notice was taken of any defect in a child's speech; it was generally supposed that the trouble would right itself as the child grew older. The result of this casual treatment was that these defects were usually well-established and almost impossible to eradicate by the time the child had grown up.

To-day there is an increased consciousness of the importance of correct speech in childhood. It is realised that any defect seriously hampers a child's normal development, making him shy, reticent and backward.

SPEECH comes to babies in a form quite distinct from the cries or sounds of the young of any other species. Our fine muscles enable us to produce difficult delicate sounds which are impossible for animals to produce, no matter how well or how patiently they are trained.

Infants pick up a vocabulary with extraordinary quickness. We know

perfect ease. Nationality does not affect this facile gift; the child of foreign parents speaks the language of its adopted country, quite as perfectly as does the native-born child. Because of this ease in acquiring spoken words, a child may acquire a bad habit unless carefully supervised during the learning process.

Some people are impatient of the babbling which precedes ordered speech, but to my mind it is one of the charms of childhood; the conscious effort to convey a wish or a meaning. This flow of liquid sounds goes on from about the eighth to the eighteenth month. Some children can say a word or two at a year; others do not attempt a definite word until the eighteenth month.

ABOUT this time parents begin to worry if the child does not appear to be developing properly. Deafness will have been noted already if it exists, as mothers know how sensitive to any sudden noise normal children are, whereas a deaf baby will not jump or turn its head in the direction of any strange sound. Deafness, if absolute from birth, makes dumbness almost inevitable; a child cannot reproduce sounds it has never heard. There are, however, modern electrical imitation or mocking only serves to

how difficult it is to master a sound can be conveyed through the foreign tongue but a child speaks the language of its environment with Paralysis or malformation, such as a cleft palate, may retard speech, but it will not inhibit it completely unless the paralysis has destroyed the speech centre in the brain. Where a child is mentally defective little can be done to teach the art of consecutive speech.

CHILDREN vary in their facility for speech learning. It is said that those who walk at nine months are slow in talking. Again, it is stated that the children of well-to-do and cultured classes speak earlier than do children of humbler environments. An average of six words at the end of the first year is high and unusual; according to one authority, however, children belonging to educated homes had an average vocabulary of eight words at the end of the first year.

A change of surroundings may stimulate and greatly improve a child's speech. Again, in a household where talking is encouraged even a strange child will begin to chatter. It is at this period that any faults should be gently corrected, but not overstressed. Repetition or that he feels happy and comfortable and so gains more self-confidence.

Peeress Watches Child And Monkey Grow Up Pet, At Four, Has Intelligence Of Baby Aged One

Fear, Vanity, Love, All Shown

(By A Special Correspondent)

Shipbourne (Kent), Dec. 1.

A PEERESS who compares the growth of her own grandchildren with that of her pet monkeys has described her discoveries to me.

Marguerite Marchioness of Tweeddale has travelled all over the world, studying, taming, and making pets of hundreds of strange animals, especially monkeys.

Her great Tudor house near here contains dogs, cats, apes, and even a dappled faun that runs in and out of the house and gallops up the stairs.

Chaplin's Secret Out: They're Married

Hollywood, Dec. 1.

From RANDOLPH CHURCHILL
I HAD ten to-day with Miss Paulette Goddard and Charlie Chaplin at his home at Beverly Hills.

And I can end once and for all the long-standing uncertainty about the matrimonial status of the world's greatest comedian and his leading lady: Charlie and Paulette have been married more than a year.

So do not let anyone tell you they're only engaged.

Two reasons why Charlie has been so mysterious:

He regards it as his and Paulette's private concern.

He wants Paulette to make a film career on her own—not as his wife. (So does Paulette.)

Except for his hair, which is now almost white, giving him a distinguished appearance, Charlie looks younger than ever. No line or wrinkle is on his face.

I had not seen him for five years, but I found he still professes politics to be a topic of conversation.

His next picture has been delayed partly by his inability to decide whether to talk or remain faithful to his silent role, and partly by inability to decide on a story.

One he has in mind is a fantasy which makes the Napoleon escape from St. Helena to direct the Bonapartist cause incognito while a double conceals the emperor on the island.

When the double dies, and Napoleon's death is announced to the world, the shock is too great for the real Napoleon—played, of course, by Charlie—who also dies.

Charlie tells me he and Paulette are determined to go to London for the Coronation, whether Paulette's picture is finished or not.

"He is called Hubert, after the patron saint of French hunting, and I have brought him up by hand since he was an hour old," said Lady Tweeddale.

Her pets have also included badgers, opossums, kinkajous, lion cubs, and tortoises. She tells about them in her book "The Cubs of the Stranger" (Methuen, 12s 6d.).

"In my Scottish home I have more dogs than I can count," she told me. "They are all working now, while the shooting season is on. Down here, I have more cats than I can count."

"FASCINATING"

"But the monkeys are the most interesting of all—if, indeed, they really are animals and not some obscure, retarded race of 'negroid' people."

"To watch one of my Hum-boldt's Woolly monkeys developing at the same time as my baby granddaughter is fascinating."

"A child aged one year equals a monkey aged four in reaction, intelligence and physical growth. Then the monkey's intelligence remains static."

"People who say that monkeys have no real intelligence or emotions are wrong," said Lady Tweeddale. "I have always found that their emotions go just as deep as the average human's. They love and hate and 'show off' and are madly jealous."

"The first time they saw the red varnish on my nails they thought it was berries, investigated and were cross. But they never made the same mistake again. Isn't that common intelligence?"

"They have a language of their own, too, and certain sounds are used consistently to indicate wants, pleasure, fear, protest."

"I should like to set up a sort of laboratory in which to study how to avoid the mistakes so often made in the diet and general care of alien animals to this country."

"And I should like to delve deeper into my theory that some monkeys are really a branch of the human race that has, somehow, become stultified."



The three yachtsmen who are leaving for Australia this week-end. They are (left to right) Lindsay Moller, T. B. Brown and H. Aust.

A Thin Man Orders A Meal

Vienna, Dec. 1.

A THIN little man, Lazi Szabo, entered an inn at Kaposvar, Western Hungary, and asked for a menu.

Then he said: "That's not real food. This is what I want:—

1 whole roast goose.
6 plates of brazen.
2 lbs. of roast goose liver.
3 sausages.
6 loaves of bread, and
Half a gallon of wine."

The waiter recoiled and called the proprietor. He eyed the little man over and then said: "If you can eat all this I will charge you nothing."

"It's a bet," said Lazi.

Within an hour he had eaten everything.

"Is there any one who would like to buy me a second course to this snack?" he asked the crowd which had gathered round his table.

There were no offers.—Reuter.

Boy Sentenced To 199 Years

Chicago, Dec. 1.

Fifteen-year-old Ronald Munroe was sentenced to 199 years' jail in Chicago to-day.

He was found guilty of having killed, last August, Mrs. Agnes Koffels, a widow of 65.

The judge added a recommendation that he should be sent to a reformatory in order to be kept from "hardened criminals."

VICKI BAUM LOOKS FOR A NEW JOB

"Grand Hotel" Made Only £3,000

By A Special Correspondent

VICKI ("GRAND HOTEL") BAUM, idol of the New York "working girls" who write novels between dish-washings, flattered into London this month and exploded the idea that Hollywood has made her the highest paid woman writer in the world.

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BOGUS MEDIUM
IN GAOL AGAIN

A BOGUS medium and former burglar, who was once chairman of Poplar Board of Guardians, was sent to prison for seven months at Liverpool recently for uttering two forged cheques.

He is Frederick Tansley Munnings, aged 64, described as an artist. He persuaded a shopkeeper to cash a stolen cheque and telegraph the money to him.

Munnings, as a spiritualist medium, was once denounced by the late Sir A. Conan Doyle, Mr. Dennis Bradley, and others.

He tricked many spiritualists, including—at first—Conan Doyle.

At one seance Munnings was said to have "induced" Dan Leno's spirit to sing verses from three songs and to say that "he would not come back to this earth for all the money in Drury-lane."

"KITCHENER SPOKE"

Even Lord Kitchener was "produced" by Munnings, who said the general was complaining about having been sent to Russia.

"Cold-blooded and deliberate artifice" was Conan Doyle's description of the trickeries practised by Munnings.

The man had extraordinary adventures in many spheres. Here are some of them:

1890-1914.—Licensee of two public houses at Poplar, E.

1907-1916.—Member of Poplar Guardians, becoming chairman.

1917.—Bound over at Bournemouth for stealing a bicycle.

1921.—Practised as a spiritualist medium at Hastings.

1921.—Bound over for obtaining money by false pretences at Poplar.

1921-1922.—Travelling country giving seances as a "trumpet-medium."

In 1923 he was sentenced at Surrey Quarter Sessions to nine months' imprisonment for burglary.

New Zealand Warship Claims Pacific Islands

Auckland, N.Z., Dec. 1.
Official publication of Great Britain's possession of certain islands in the Phoenix Group, east of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, was made during the annual winter cruise of H.M.S. Leith, which returned to Auckland recently after an absence of three and a half months. The renewal of Great Britain's claims to these islands, which she originally annexed in 1880-82, was made following recent American and Japanese activities in the South Pacific.

The announcement that the islands belonged to Great Britain was made on notice-boards, which were nailed to palm-trees, proclaiming the fact that "This island belongs to King Edward VIII"—the first time, probably, that King Edward's name has been used in such circumstances. Each notice was signed by the Commander of the "Leith," Captain Oliver Reav.

VICTORIAN PLAYS PERMITTED

Ban Removed: Sound
Picture Continued

London, Dec. 3.
Following His Majesty's removal of the ban on stage plays relating to Queen Victoria, studio preparations have been completed for a talking picture entitled "Victoria the Good."

The premiere of this film, which will be a "Cavalcade" of Victorian England, will take place some time next June, according to the present schedule.—Reuter.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Oklahoma City, Okla.
Redwine, Lewis S., is the candidate of the Prohibition party for Oklahoma Congressman-at-large.

San Francisco.
Samuel J. Horselike entered a suit in court asking compensation for injuries suffered when kicked by a mule.

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RADIO BROADCAST

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loncello).

1. Song—Ombra mia fu (Largo) ("Xerxes"—Handel); 2. Cello Solos—Aria (Bach) (From Suite in D); Andante (Bach); 3. Song—O del mio Dolce Ardor ("Furide ed Elena"—Gluck) il fior che avevi a me tu dato ("Carmen"—Bizet); 4. 1 p.m. Time and Weather.

1.03 p.m. Arthur de Greef (Pianoforte) and The English Singers.

a. Pianoforte—Waltz in G Flat Major, Op. 70, No. 1 (Chopin); Waltz in D Flat, Op. 64, No. 1 (Chopin); Serenade, Op. 15 Etude, Op. 10, No. 3 (Mozzkowski); b. Choral—"A Farmer's Son" (arr. Vaughan Williams) Now is the Month of Maying (Morley); c. Pianoforte—Valse in E Major, Op. 34 (Mozzkowski); d. Choral—"To Shorten Winter's Sadness" (Weeks); The Turtle Dove (arr. Vaughan Williams).

1.30 p.m. Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather forecast, announcements and time.

1.40 p.m. Oetel in E Flat Major, Op. 20 (Mendelssohn) played by the International String Octet.

2.13 p.m. Vocal Gems.

The Quaker Girl (Monckton); H.M.S. Pinafore (Gilbert and Sullivan).

2.30 p.m. Close Down.

4.17 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.10.30 p.m. European Programme.

7.30 p.m. An hour with Beethoven.

Overture—"Ruin of Athens"; Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra; Overture—"Fidelio"; The B. B. C. Symphony Orchestra; Concerto No. 1 in C Major, Op. 15... London Symphony Orchestra.

1st Movement—Allegro; 2nd Movement—Largo; 3rd Movement—Rondo; Overture—"Op. 92"; The B. B. C. Symphony Orchestra.

8 p.m. Time, Weather, and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Richard Crooks (Tenor) and Miliza Korjus (Soprano).

Tenor Solos—"How lovely are thy dwellings" (Liddle); Nirvana (Weatherly and Adams); Soprano Solo—Nocturne, Op. 9, No. 2 (Chopin); Tenor Solos—Parted (Weatherly and Tosti); I love thee (David and Grieg); Soprano Solos—Olympia's Aria (The Doll Song), (Tales of Hoffmann), (Offenbach); Shadow Song (Dinorah), (Meyerbeer).

8.30 p.m. From the Studio.

The Z. B. Band of the 1st Bn. The Royal Ulster Rifles. Conducted by Bandmaster H. Alfred Hole, A.R.C.M., from St. John's Cathedral Hall.

Programme.

1. March—"Tartare" (Ganne); 2. Selection—"Ballad Song"; Delibes; 3. Romance—"Hobomies"; Reeves; 4. Gramophone Record—The Lincolnshire Poacher (Traditional); Wrap me up in my tarpaulin jacket (Traditional); Harold Williams and the B. B. C. Male Chorus.

10 p.m. London Big Ben.

A Light Concert.

Song—"Who is Sylvia?" (Schubert); Master Robert Harris; Cello Solos—Romance (Debussy); Les Cloches (Debussy); W. H. Squire; Songs—When Song is Sweet (Sans-Souci); Think on me (Lady John Scott); Norman Allin (Bass); Orchestra—Adoree (West); Albert Sandler and his Orchestra; Violin Solos—Fleuse (Isidor Lott); Gavotte (Gosse); Carlos Sedano; Song—"The Roadside Fire" (Vaughan Williams); Stuart Robertson; 10.30 p.m. Close Down.

The office of H. M. Trade Commissioner in Hongkong and Commercial Secretary (for South China) to H. M. Embassy in China, will be removed to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building (first floor) on December 15.

The Post Master General, Mr. H. R. Butters, is leaving Hongkong to-day on the P. and O. liner Ranchi for home. Mr. Butters and his family will spend their leave in England and on the Continent and will return to the Colony on Sunday. During his absence the Post Office will be taken by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones.

CHURCH NOTICE.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. A. H. Bray To Preach To-morrow
CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hongkong.
Third Sunday in Advent, December 13.

Church Anniversaries

Morning Order of Service by Rev. A. H. Bray M.A., D.D., at 10.15. English Methodist Church opposite R.N. Hospital.
Hymns No. 227 (Melcombe); 203 (St. Georges, Windsor); 821 (Morning Light); 078 (Darwall's); 703 (Richmond).

Lessons: Isaiah 25 or Psalm 2: Revelation 19-22.
Evening Order of Service by Rev. A. H. Bray, M.A., D.D., at 7.15. English Methodist Church opposite R.N. Hospital.
Hymns No. 242 (Stuttgart); 119 (Gloria Song); 427 (Agape); 705 (Lauds).

Lessons: Psalm 1 and 1 Peter 5.

Notices for the Week

1. Devotional Class meets on Tuesdays at 8.30 p.m. in the S. & S. Home.

2. Camera Club—Provides Dark Room for developing, printing, enlarging, etc. Further information can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Club, Mr. A. M. M. Stephen, on Thursday nights, from 8.30 onwards.

3. Badminton Club meets on Mondays and Thursdays, at 7.30 p.m. Further particulars from Mr. W. Sprague, Hon. Secretary, or from the Secretary, S. & S. Home.

Vocational Training Time Table:

Marine Engineering—Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1800—2000.

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Practical Carpentry—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1800—2100. Shortland and Typewriting—Mon., Wed. and Fri., 1730—1830.

Book-keeping and Accountancy—Tuesdays and Fridays 1915—2015.

Foreign Languages—German, Tuesdays and Fridays, 2015—2115.

French Languages—Mondays, 1830—1930, 2000—2100.

5. Sunday, December 13, will be observed as the anniversary of the founding of our Church in 1893.

Members and friends of the Church are asked to make it a day of special thanksgiving. Our offerings to date have reached only half the estimated figure for the year ending December 31, 1936 and our friends are asked kindly to mark this anniversary Sunday with special offerings. The Rev. A. H. Bray, M.A., D.D., General Superintendent of the South China District of the Methodist Church will be the preacher.

UNION CHURCH

Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow To Preach To-morrow

S.A.C.A. MEETING

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Morning Service 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 8 p.m. Preacher at both services: Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

There will be a meeting of the Management Committee after the Morning Service.

The S.A.C.A. meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m.

The Helena May Christian Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

LESSON SERMON
First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, to-morrow, December 13, will be: "God the preserver of man."

The Golden Text will be: "Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust." (Psalms 10:1).

Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep; and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead. And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not thyself; for his life is in him. When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed. And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted. Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but the Lord delivereth him out of them all. He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken." (Acts 20:9-12, Psalm 34:19, 20).

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Accidents are unknown to God, or immortal Mind, and we must leave the mortal basis of belief and unite with the one Mind, in order to change our notion of chance to the proper sense of God's unerring direction, and thus bring out harmony. Under divine Providence there can be no accidents, since there is no room for imperfection in perfection. Man is indestructible and eternal. Some time it will be learned that mortal mind constructs the mortal body with this mind's own mortal materials. In Science, no breaking nor dislocation can really occur. You say that accidents, injuries, and disease kill man, but this is not true. The life of man is Mind. The material body manifests only what mortal mind believes, whether it be a broken bone, disease, or sin. Suffering is no less a mental condition than is enjoyment. You cause bodily sufferings and increase them by admitting their reality and continuance, as directly as you enhance your joys by believing them to be real and continuous. When an accident happens, you think, 'I am hurt.' You say, 'You thought is more powerful than your words, more powerful than the accident itself, to make the injury real.'" (Pages 424, 402, 397).

Announcement

(Branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass.) Macdonnell Road, by Macdonnell Road Tram Station.

Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. A Reading Room is located at Bank of East Asia Buildings, 10 Des Voeux Road Central, and is open daily, except Wednesday and Saturday, 10.30 a.m. to 2 p.m., 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesdays 10.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. All authorized Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the Services and visit the Reading Room.

The next dance of the Royal Engineers Old Comrades Association will be held in the Roof Garden of the Peninsula Hotel, on Wednesday, December 16, commencing at 8.30 p.m. The music will be by the Band of the First Battalion of the Royal Ulster Rifles (by kind permission of Lt.-Col. R. M. Rodwell and Officers). Patrons are reminded that no tables will be reserved, and that tables in the hall will be filled first.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott are to be present at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children, which is being held at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, December 17, at 5.30 p.m.



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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date and Time
Shanghai and Amoy	Philcoctes	December 12.
Straits	Philcoctes	December 12.
Holophong	Canton	December 12.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sulyang	December 13.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tjiaondari	December 13.
Japan	Dakar Maru	December 14.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan	December 14.
Shanghai	Antenor	December 15.
Straits	Cramer	December 15.
Japan	Malacocha	December 15.
Shanghai	Pres. Doumiz	December 15.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways"		
Direct Service—London date,		
5th December	R.M.A. Dorado	December 15.
Straits	Terukuni Maru	December 15.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai		
(Vancouver B.C. 20th November)	Emp. of Asia	December 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Kulsang	December 16.
Amoy	Santhia	December 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru	December 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai		
(San Francisco, 25th November)	Asama Maru	December 18.
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Straits, Manila and London Parcels		
—London 12th November.	Menesueus	December 20.
Japan	Rio de Janeiro Maru	December 20.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Air Mail for Canton and Districts	C.N.A.C. plane	Sat., Dec. 12.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Dec. 12, Noon.
	Letters,	Dec. 12, 12.30 p.m.
Straits	Hong Kong	Sat., Dec. 12, 1 p.m.
Amoy	Anshun	Sat., Dec. 12, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Halchen	Sat., Dec. 12, 2.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Sat., Dec. 12, 4.00 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Philcoctes	Sat., Dec. 12, 5 p.m.
Saloon	Apocoy	Sat., Dec. 12, 5 p.m.
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	Shanghai	
	Reg.,	Dec. 12, 5 p.m.
	Letters,	Dec. 12, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Dec. 12, 5 p.m.
	Letters,	Dec. 12, 5 p.m.
	Sunday.	
Shanghai	Franken	Sun., Dec. 13, 8.30 a.m.
Madang, Salamaua and Rabaul	Friderun	Sun., Dec. 13, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Dec. 13, 9 a.m.
Saloon via Swatow	Lycemoon	Sun., Dec. 13, 9 a.m.

Monday

Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and G. G. Paul Doumer

*Haliphong

Tuesday

Letters for Guam, Honolulu and Changie

U.S.A., by "Pan American Airways Service"—due San Francisco, 22nd December.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand Change

via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 28th December.

Bangkok via Swatow

Batavia

Letters for "Air-Orient Service"—due Marseilles, 27th December

Saloon, Ceylon, India, East and Pres. Doumer

South Africa, Egypt, and Europe

via Marseilles, 11th January.

Haliphong

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

Siberia

Wednesday

Foochow via Swatow

Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Antenor

and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 13th January and London, 19th January.

Manila

Amoy

Letters for "Imperial Airways Service"—due London, 28th December.

Letters for "Australia by Imperial Airways Service"—due Larwin, 22nd December.

Sandakan

Japan

Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haliphong

Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and *S. Suwa Maru

Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe

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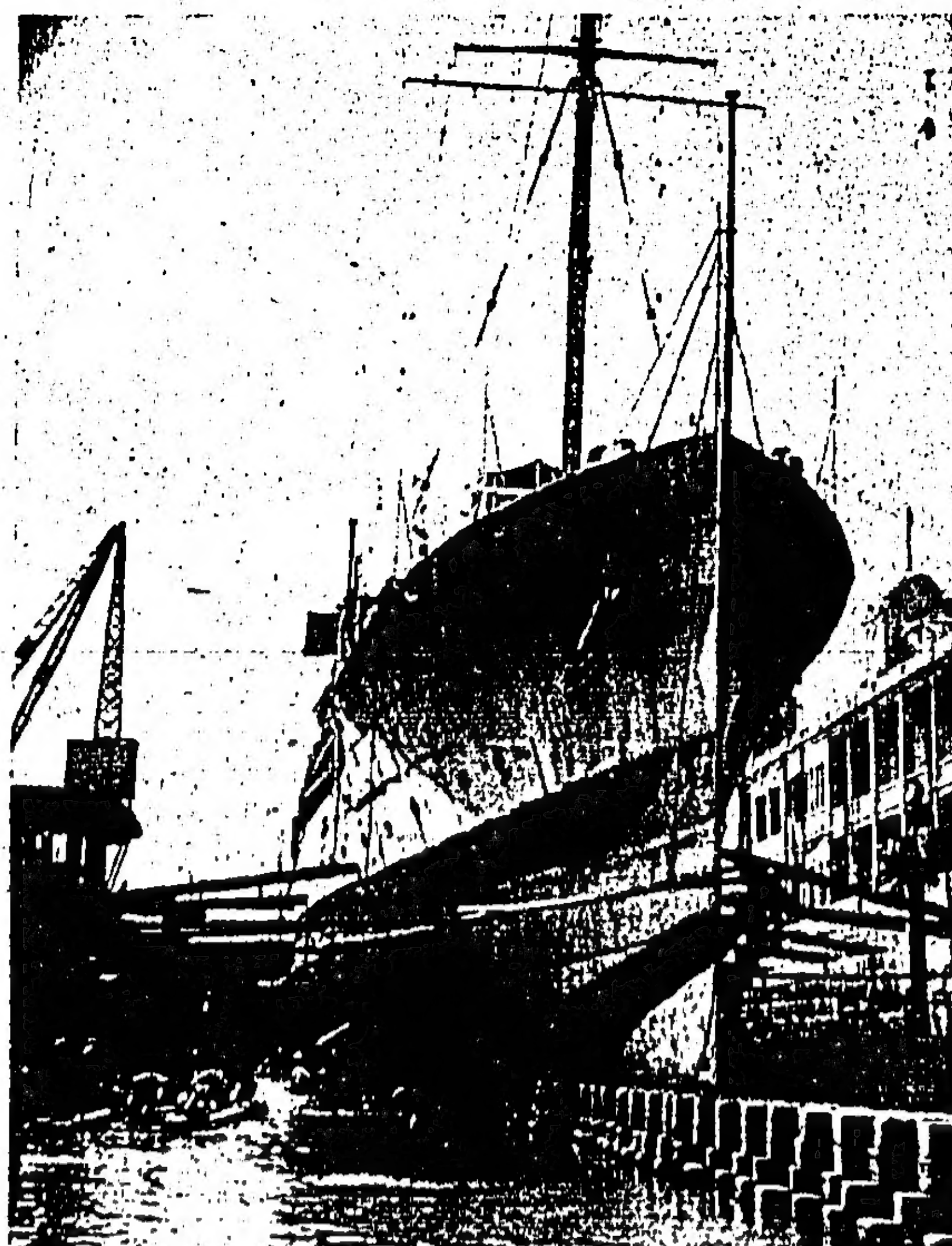
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"MARRIAGE NOT ISSUE," SAYS MRS. FREER. Plea For Chance To Land And Clear Name THE MINISTER'S "NO"

"It is no longer a question of whether I am able to marry Lieut. Dewar. The point at stake is my personal honour," said Mrs. Freer in Auckland to-day, replying to Mrs. Dewar's statement that she will not divorce her husband.

"Permit me to enter Australia to prove that I am not the heartless adventuress Mr. Paterson so glibly calls me," was her plea to the Commonwealth Government.

"The Government has made up its mind and will not change it," said the Minister for the Interior (Mr. Paterson) in Canberra.

Auckland, Nov. 28. Mrs. Freer said to-day that the question of whether she would be able to marry Lieut. Dewar or not was one which would be fought out or settled in the ordinary way.

The issue now was retraction of the untrue statements made by the Minister.

"It appears," said Mrs. Freer, "that the Minister acted more on Mrs. Dewar's statement than anything else."

"They must allow me to go to Sydney to fight this out on the spot," said Mrs. Freer, when told that Mr. Paterson had said that she would again be refused permission to land in Australia. "I have booked my passage to Sydney by the Awatea, leaving on Tuesday."

"Until this stigma is removed, I will never be able to face my children, my friends, or England."

"I undertake to leave Australia immediately after I have answered allegations in person and my case has been decided one way or the other."

"MODEL LIFE"
"I have always led a very model life, having many social friends, and my affair with Lieut. Dewar is the only one I ever had in India."

"My whole life in India gives the lie direct to the allegation that I am an undesirable character."

"What I want to know is from what

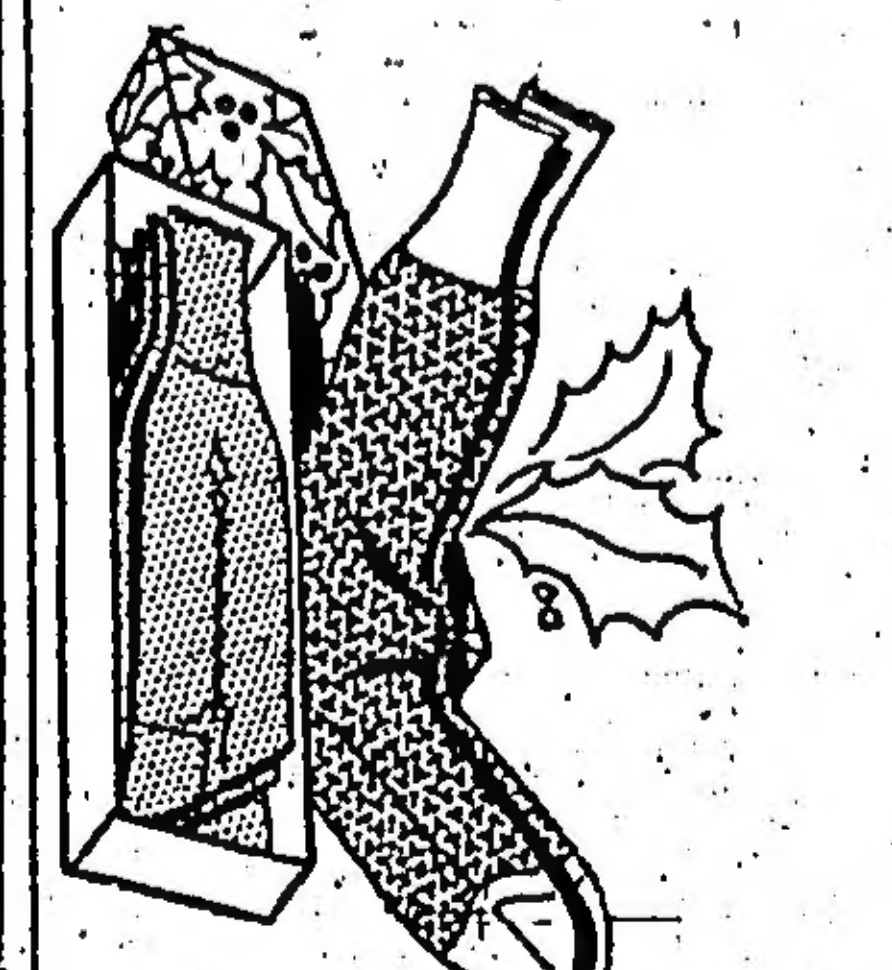
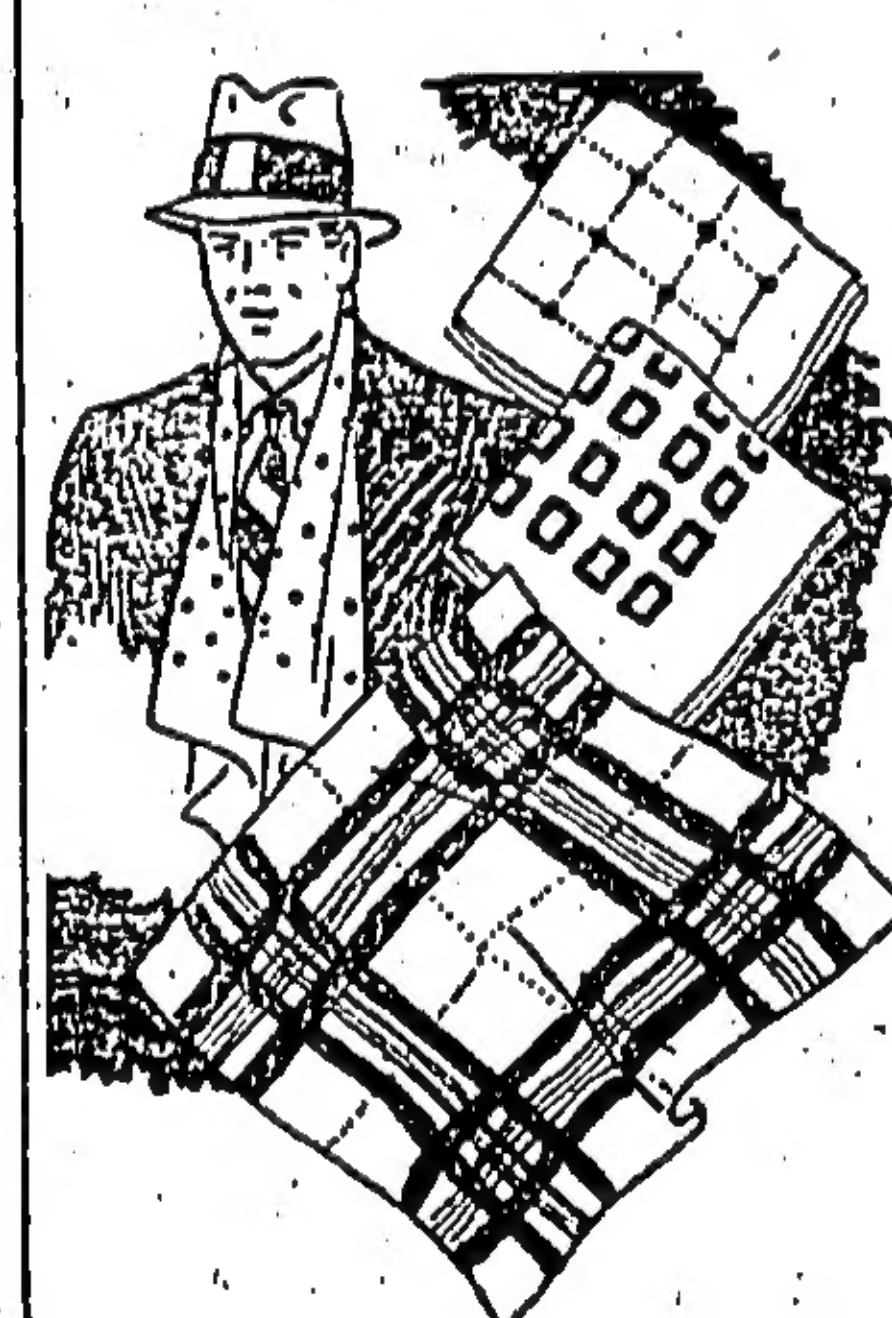
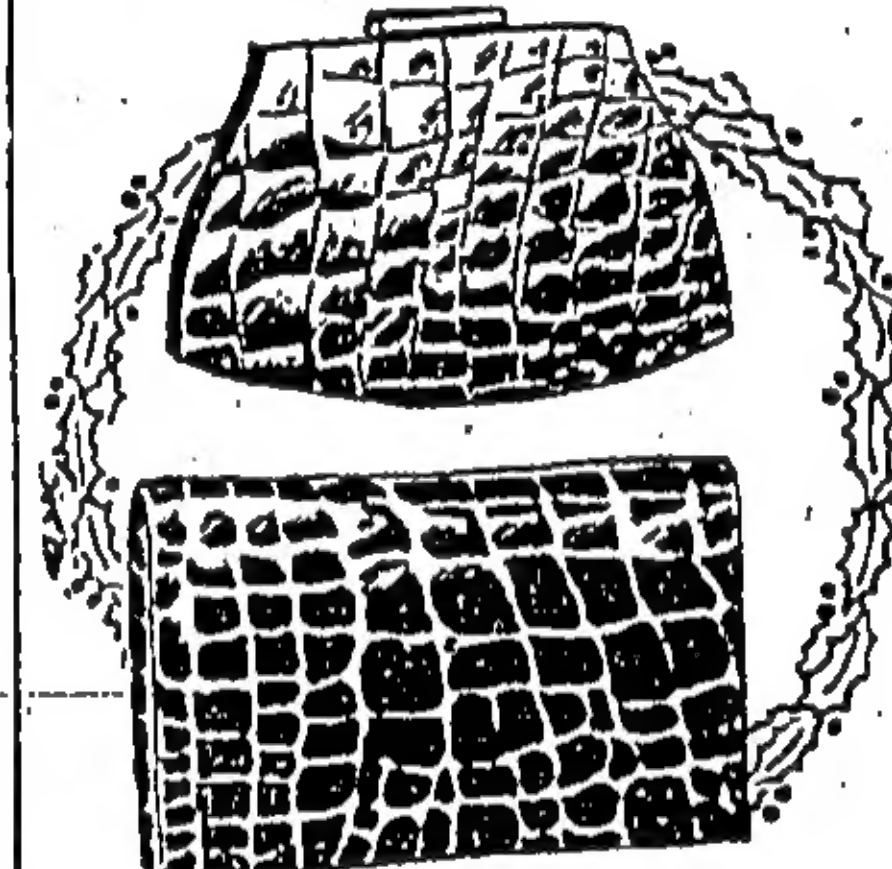
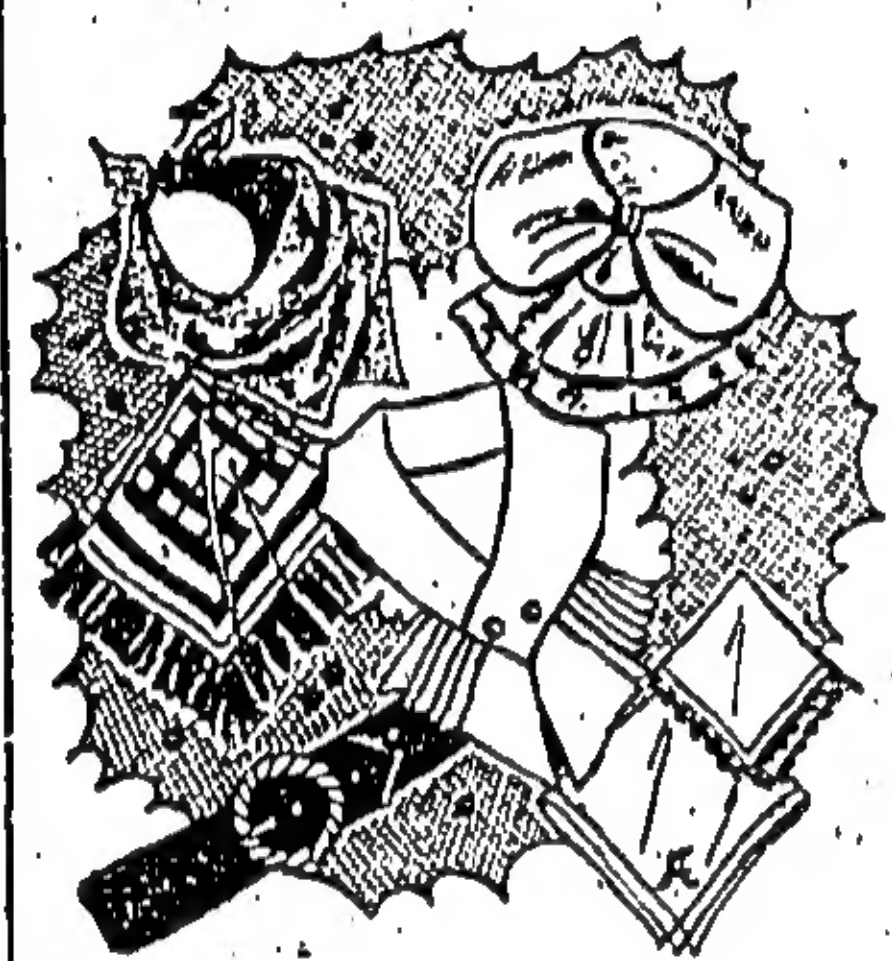
CHANCE OF FRESH DICTATION TEST Minister Refuses To Discuss It

Canberra, Nov. 28.

"The Government acted in the way it did for good reason, and has no intention of making any changes in policy," said the Minister for the Interior (Mr. Paterson) to-day when suggestions that Mrs. Freer might be allowed to land in Australia were brought under his notice.

Should Mrs. Freer attempt to land in Australia next Friday there, is nothing to prevent the Commonwealth authorities again subjecting her to a dictation test under the Immigration Act.

When Mrs. Freer was asked if Mrs. Freer would be submitted to a further dictation test he said: "I would prefer not to discuss it."



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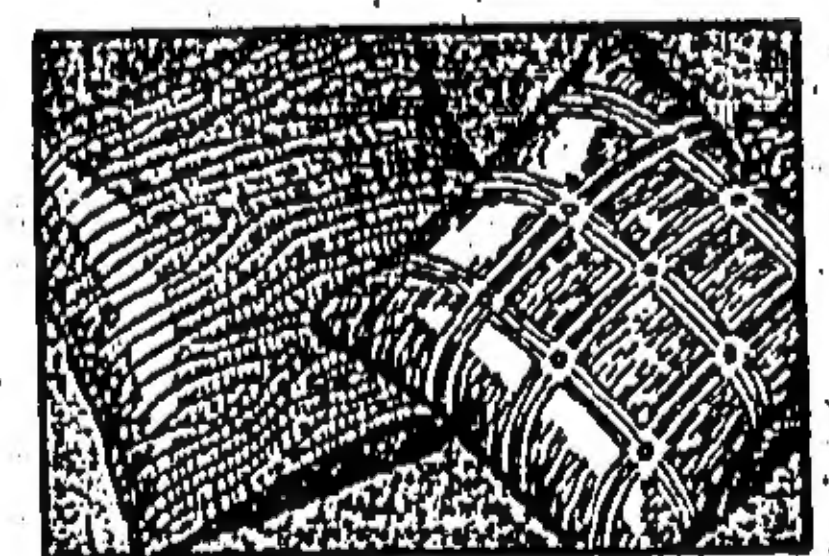
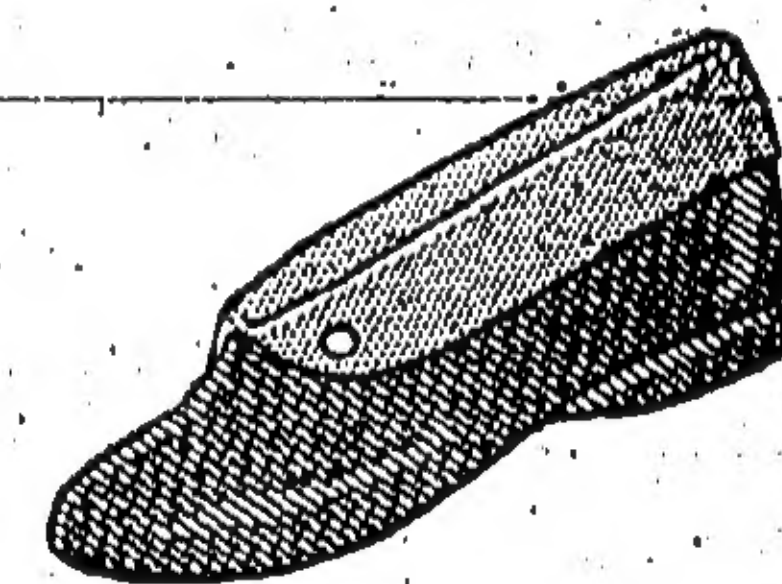
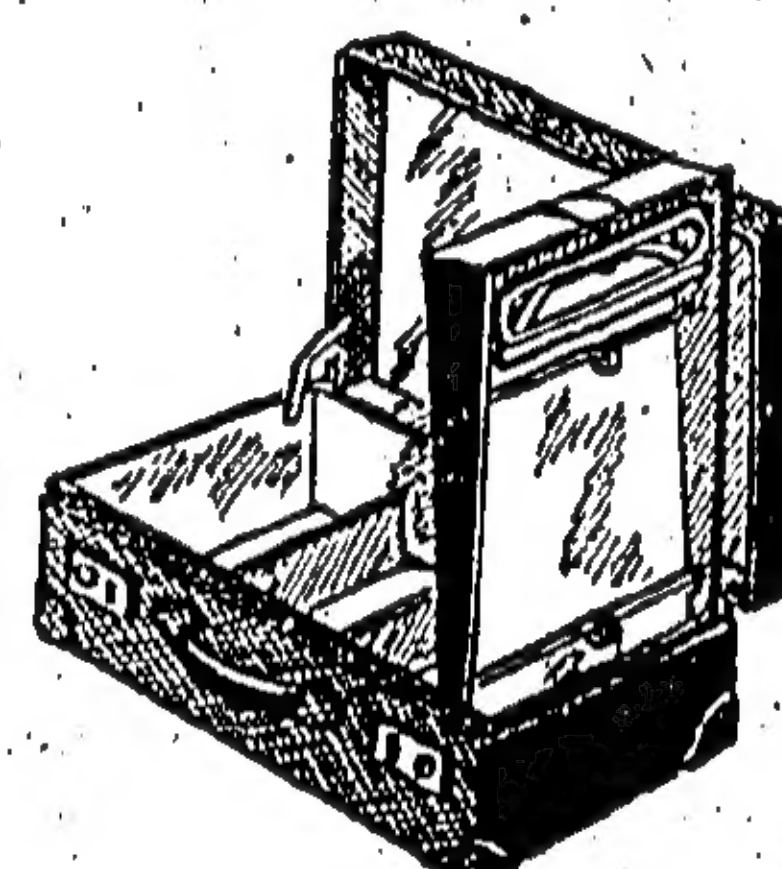
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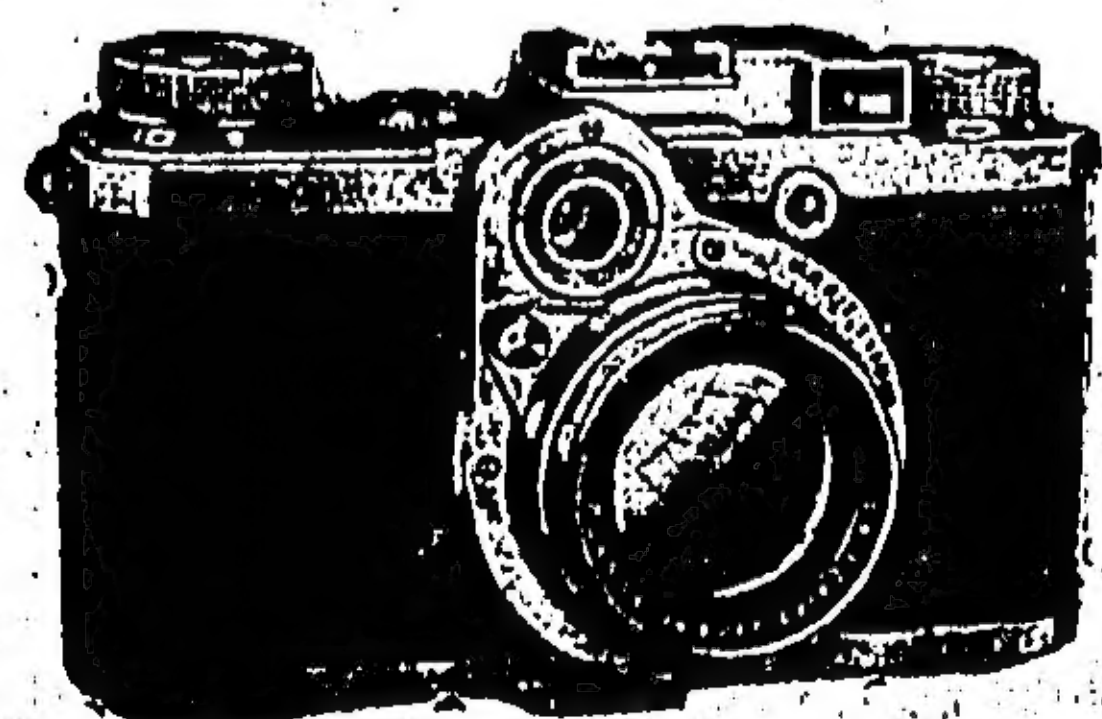
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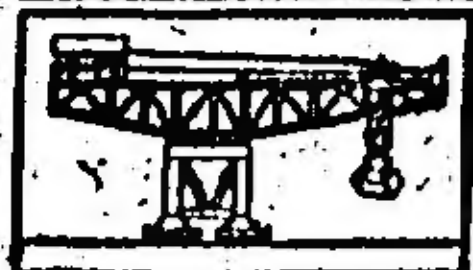
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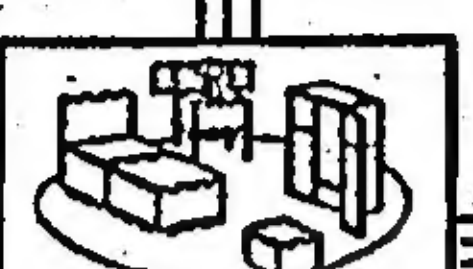
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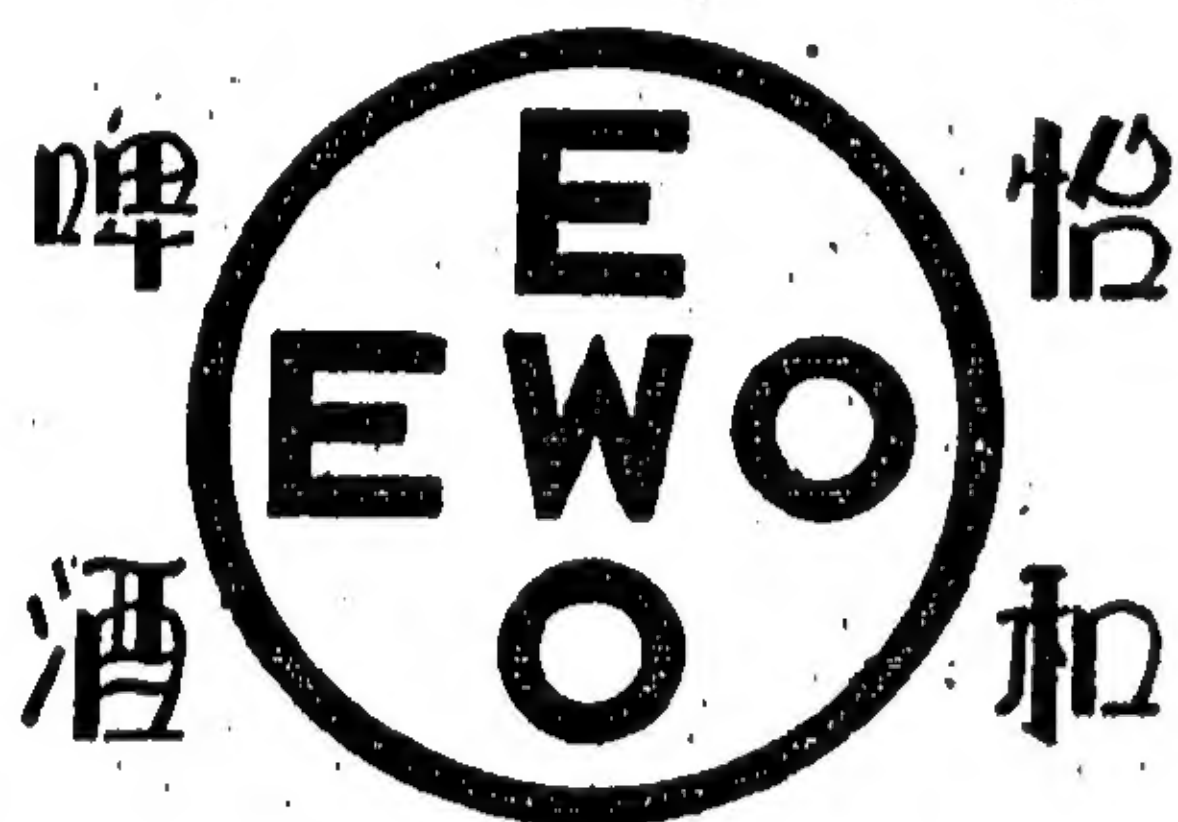
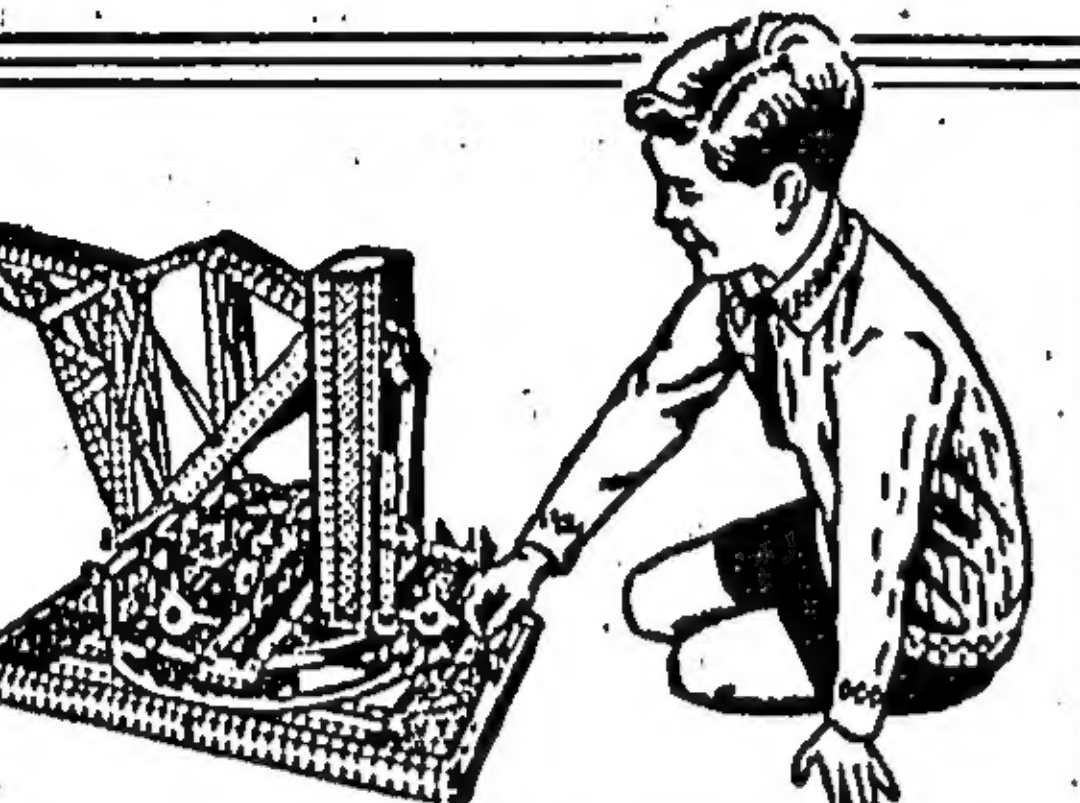
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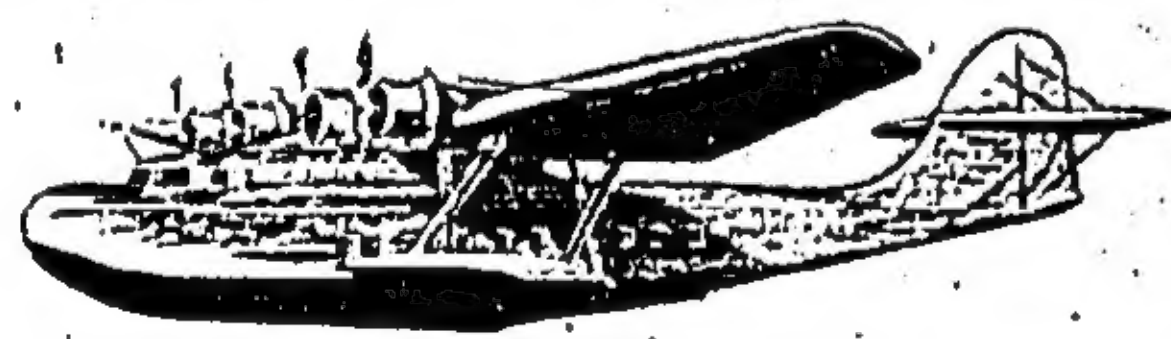
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The author of "Low Company" [by Mark Bennet; Peter Davies, D.J. stole, and enjoyed stealing, things of intrinsic beauty.

He went to great trouble, he says, to obtain the addresses of collectors, to steal masterpieces which he often could not sell.

THE OPEN WINDOW

Obligingly he explains the technique of burglary:

A promising basement area: a situation in a quiet, well-screened street; a front garden with shrubs enough to hide me from passers-by while effecting an entry; a scilicet drainage-system giving access to an open bathroom window; the absence of any evidence of a dog; these were things which determined my choice.

I made felt goshes for my shoes, and carried a small oil-can to ease creaking hinges, but these were the extent of my preparations.

A burglar cannot break into a house anything but furtively; but he may leave it as boldly as he likes.

Given favourable circumstances, I used to use the house telephone to bring a taxi to the door, and step into it with a laden suitcase as though I was going to catch an early train.

HIS DOWNFALL

A Pehinese brought about his downfall. "He had broken into a Park-lane house, and was crawling towards a dressing-table in one of the bedrooms when the dog barked, and the household was aroused."

An elderly man, "small and not formidable," seized his wrist, and some inexplicable force kept Mr. Bennet from escaping.

This product of the Soho underworld, Industrial school, Borstal, and one or two prisons has somehow learned to write uncannily well.

SENTRIES TO GUARD HOTELS, HOUSES

FROM Tibet, from the White House, Washington; from India, China and Chili—from all the world, kings and princes, Ministers, envoys and missions will go to London for the Coronation of King George VI.

Among them will be 150 ruling princes of India coming as friends bound by treaty to the Crown.

Defectives and sentries will guard them night and day from the moment they set foot in England until they leave Dover again.

The London Command are arranging to borrow scores of extra sentry boxes that will be needed by the soldiers mounting guard over Embassies, palaces, houses and hotels.

KINGS AND PRINCES

Four kings—King Christian of Denmark, King George of Greece, King Haakon of Norway, and King Boris of Bulgaria—will be the Royal Family's private guests during the Coronation ceremonies. Three Queens will accompany them.

Crown Prince Umberto will come from Italy, Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf from Sweden, and Princess Juliana from Holland. Princes will represent Belgium, Rumania, Jugoslavia, Monaco.

The President of the Portuguese Republic and the Kings of Iraq and Egypt will attend "in the quality of allies."

The Turkish Premier will represent his country. Foreign Ministers will come from Germany, Russia, Hungary, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Latvia, Poland, Lithuania, Estonia, Brazil, Chili, Argentina, and Uruguay.

The U.S.A. envoy will come as Ambassador Extraordinary or as the personal representative of President Roosevelt. President Lebrun will represent France.



Mrs. Edith Roosevelt, widow to the late President Theodore Roosevelt, photograph recently with her son, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt.

DEAD WIDOW ACCUSED

"Murder Conspiracy"

Toronto, Dec. 1. Seventeen years after the mysterious disappearance of Canadian millionaire Ambrose Small allegations of conspiracy to murder were made in court to-day against his widow, who is also dead.

When Mr. Small, theatre owner, vanished, a world-wide search was made for him in vain. He was presumed dead, and the estate went to Mrs. Small. She died in October last year, leaving most of her fortune to church and charitable institutions.

On behalf of Mr. Small's sister lawyers are seeking to prove that Mrs. Small was murdered, and that Mrs. Small and a former secretary of the millionaire were conspirators.

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QUIN DOCTOR IN £200,000 LAWSUIT

New York, Dec. 1. As Dr. Allen Roy Dufoe, who brought the Dionne quintuplets into this world, was sitting in an air liner ready to fly from Chicago to New York to-day, he was served with a subpoena in a £200,000 suit.

The suit has been pending for two and a half years. Mr. Ivan Spear claims £200,000 damages from Mr. and Mrs. Dionne, claiming that they failed to fulfil a contract to show the children at the Chicago World Fair in 1934.

CAT DIVER

"Rastus" is a most curious cat. He is the talk of Berowra Waters, New South Wales, as a mullet fisherman who never falls where rod and line frequently do.

The verandah of his home is built over the water. When the fish are about, he makes a perfect dive and invariably emerges with at least one in his mouth. He has been doing it for years, says *Austral News*.

By day, in the "off" season, he sleeps in the bush. At night he plays with teddy bears (koalas) which come down from the trees to meet him.

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CORRESPONDENCE

The Abdication

To the Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir—There has been little opportunity for any expression of opinion on this tragic situation, from the ordinary person. May I, through the courtesy of your columns, say what some of us are feeling?

King Edward, at his accession, was acclaimed by all as a King to be admired and loved for his democratic views and intense sympathy with his people, as well as for his strong personality and charm. He had shown these attributes very strongly as a Prince, and he has been steadily proving them in the past year.

And now! We are to lose him, because, we, as a people, cannot face the fact that his deep personal attachment is against all preconceived ideas and tradition for the marriage of a King. But isn't it because of those very qualities for which we admire him, that he feels so deeply on this question, and isn't it his honest, manly qualities which make him desire to break with tradition both in religious and his own royal outlook?

We so often forget Christ's words, "Judge not, that ye be not judged." Who are we—from the Prime Minister to the poorest of us—that we should pass judgment on one who is not alone in having made false choices? When a marriage fails, it cannot be a God-made marriage, and the sooner legal formalities are severed from such mistaken marriages the better.

No-one knows but King Edward himself what qualms have made him so loyal to Mr. Simpson. His abdication has been accepted as if this were the only alternative left him when confronted with loyalty to the deepest sentiments an Englishman can profess. In the middle ages it was called Chivalry—to-day King Edward has to sacrifice a throne for this deeper Chivalry; and the nation has never needed him more!

Some of us had hoped he would face the country and, as the King of England, marry her; but it is easily seen now that the burden of hide-bound conservative ideas among a large section of the Empire, has made him feel it was impossible.

I, for one, feel it is the greatest tragedy of our time that we have not seen through the curtain of tradition and false religious sentiment, to enable the Empire to respect King Edward's manly wishes and keep the greatest King we have ever known on the throne.

M. M. THOMAS.

Mme. Leurguin, wife of the French Consul, and Mr. Simpson, who left here last week in General Denain's French bombing plane for Hanoi, have returned to this Colony on the s.s. Paul Doumer.

Mrs. A. Brostedt, wife of the Asiatic Traffic Manager of Canadian National Railways, returned from a holiday at home this week. Mr. and Mrs. Brostedt are residing at one of the Repulse Bay bungalows.

The approaching marriage is announced of Mr. Albert Cross, marine engineer of Homantin Street, Homantin, and Miss Louise Mary Jorgensen of Boundary Street, Kowloon.

The service of the laying of the corner stone of the new St. Mary's Church, Causeway Bay, by the Rt. Rev. Mole Sau-Isang, Bishop of Canton, will be held on December 19, at 3 p.m.



Norma Shearer and Leslie Howard in "Romeo and Juliet," now showing at the King's Theatre.

BELILIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL LADY CALDECOTT DISTRIBUTES CLASS PRIZES

A large and happy gathering of girls, parents and friends were present in the Great Hall of King's College yesterday evening, when the annual prize distribution of the Belilios Public School took place. Lady Caldecott, wife of His Excellency the Governor, presented the prizes to the successful pupils.

Among the official guests present were Sir Atholl MacGregor and Lady MacGregor, Mr. Leurguin, Professor L. Forster, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. R. Craig, Mr. J. Barrow, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kay.

Welcoming Lady Caldecott, Mrs. C. C. Stark, Headmistress of the Belilios Public School, thanked her for her presence at the function. She also thanked the teachers, who had worked hard throughout the year, and whose efforts were reflected in the prize giving. Thanks were also expressed to Messrs. Kwan Tak-hing, Lo Hing-ching, and Miss Tsui Lun-fong for the assistance they had given towards the production of the Chinese stage play that was presented during the evening, also to the Manager of the Ko Shing Theatre for the loan of costumes and scenery.

Lady Caldecott was then called on to give away the awards, and at its conclusion, she was presented with a lovely basket of flowers by one of the pupils.

Sir Atholl MacGregor was then called on to say a few words. He expressed the deep sympathy of the gathering towards His Excellency the Governor in his recent bereavement, and thanked Lady Caldecott for coming to give away the prizes. They all realised she was a busy woman, and he asked the gathering to show their appreciation to her in a practical way. Lady Caldecott was also pleased, he said, to ask the Director of Education to grant the school a holiday on December 23. (Applause).

A Chinese stage play entitled "The Boat-Girl Bride" was then acted by the students of the school. The story was of a young man of good family who was attracted by the beauty of a boat girl. She takes not the slightest notice of him, though he tries devious ways to attract her attention. Months pass before he sees her again, and she then speaks to him, and a wedding is arranged.

The play was in three acts, and good acting was shown by all taking part. A great deal of humour interspersed the play, and though in Chinese, was easily followed by all present. Rich costumes and settings

CHRISTMAS MAILS CONSIDERABLE INCREASE IN AMOUNT SENT HOME

Figures released yesterday by the Superintendent of Mails, Mr. S. Randle, show that this year people in Hongkong sent away nearly 500 more parcels to friends in England than they did in 1935. Similarly, they sent more letters and papers to friends at home.

The amount of definitely "Christmas" mail is very hard to judge, for mails are still being sent out which are larger than normal and include much matter sent home for Christmas. In making up their returns, however, the Post Office here cannot take into account the strangers who send their mail very late—or the enthusiasts who send it very early to make sure it gets home in time. A period is chosen, therefore, during which normally the great bulk of mail would be sent.

During this period last year 22 bags of registered letters were sent, whereas this year there were 38 bags. Since most of these letters contain gifts, it seems that friends at home are going to feel to a considerable extent the reviving prosperity of the Colony.

Last year there were 55 bags of ordinary letters sent, this year there were 68; while in 1935 there were 50 bags of papers and this year there were 97.

During the "Christmas rush" period this year the Post Office sent off 214 bags of parcels for England containing 2,584 parcels. Last year during a similar period only 136 bags were despatched and they contained only 2,112 parcels.

These figures refer only to the mails sent to England from Hongkong. The figures for mails sent to other countries are not as a rule drawn up in this way, and a considerable amount of work would have to be done to make a similar comparison. The mails for Australia and America show a similar increase; however, and Mr. Randle reports a busier season.

The inward mails, of course, have not yet arrived, and it is not known whether they will be larger or smaller. "Hongkong is lucky this year," said Mr. Randle yesterday. "The main Christmas mail from home arrives on December 24, during the morning. It will be delivered that day—which means that the Post Office will have no easy Christmas Eve or Christmas Day!"

combined to produce an interesting story.

Three hearty cheers were given Lady Caldecott at the conclusion of the function.

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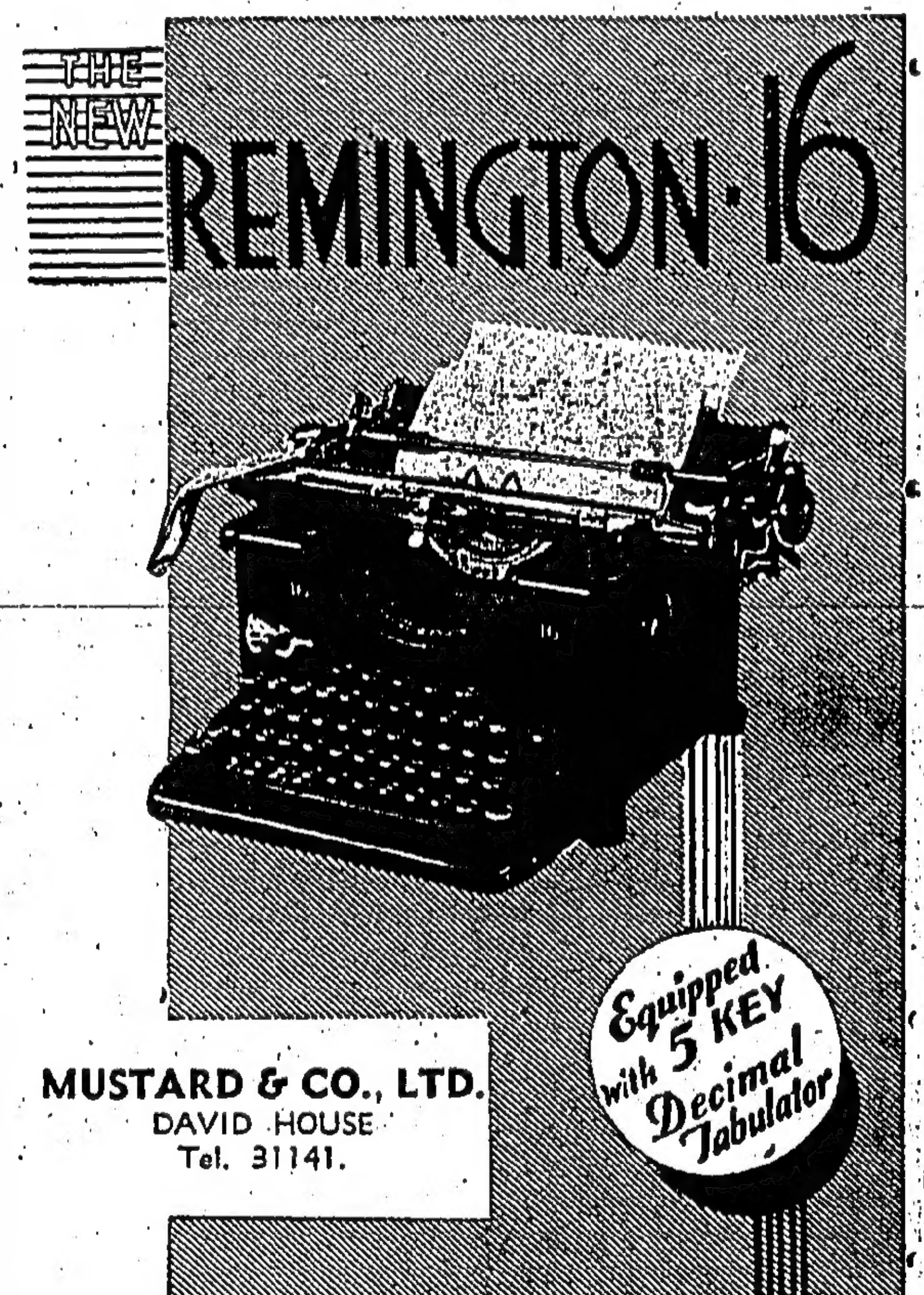
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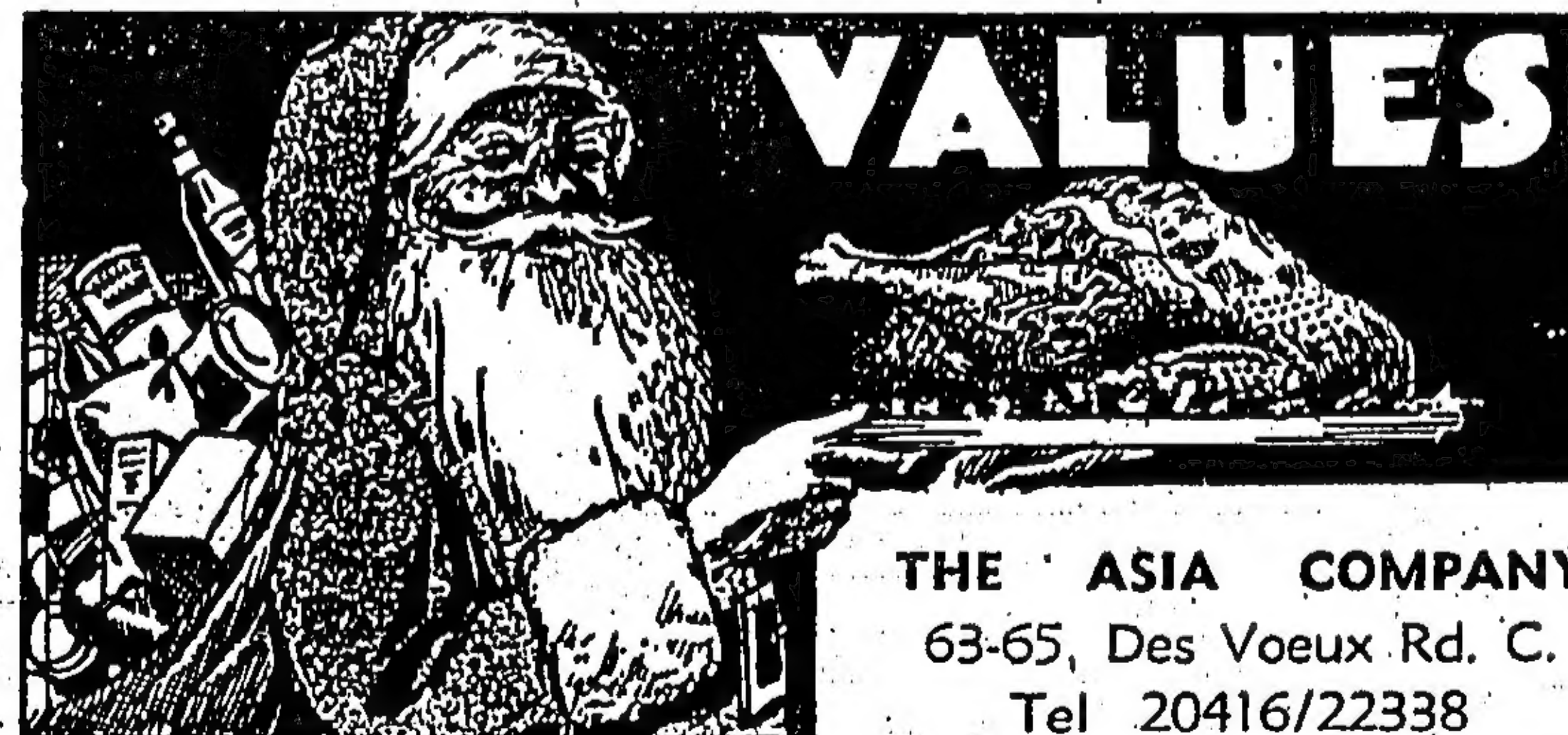
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Wants To Live The Simple Life

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By GYVN LEWIS

AFTER spending £200,000 in pursuit of pleasure, handsome Prince Said Halim, aged thirty-four, scion of the Egyptian royal house and cousin of the present King Farouk of Egypt, plans to return to Egypt and settle down with "the girl of his dreams."

Previous marriage plans of the prince were opposed by the late King Fuad.

FORBIDDEN ROMANCE

A union between the prince and Miss Morwena Bird, an English girl, whose beauty was the talk of Cairo at the time of their engagement in 1923, was forbidden. King Fuad stripped him of his rank and privileges, which were not restored until after the king's death.

When interviewed at Grosvenor House, Park-lane, W., the prince said:

"There is opposition to my latest romance. Our family is divided. My mother objects on the ground that I ought to marry a girl of royal blood. I am determined not to marry any princess."

"My aunt, who allows me £3,000 a year, has met the girl and approves of the match."

"Who is the girl? Ah, that is a secret. Her first name is Kyros. She is the daughter of a prominent American property owner."

"I am now planning to take the girl of my dreams to Cairo."

"My great hope is to settle down to a simple life. We do not want to live in a palace. A nice flat in Alexandria will do. We do not want a penny from the Civil List. I also hope that the Government will find me work to do. I am tired of pursuing pleasure on the Continent, and now want to be of real use to my country."

£500 A NIGHT

"I ran through £200,000 in seven years. I thought nothing of spending £500 in a single night entertaining the members of a theatrical show. My losses in a single night at the gaming tables would sometimes be far more."

"Then I had my yacht, my motor-car, my horses, everything that money can buy."

I asked him whether he had any regrets. He said, "Not one. I have nothing to show for my extravagance, but whatever the future holds for me I shall be able to look back on a youth brimful of happiness."

SCIENCE SAYS TO BE IN STEP IS NOT TO BE

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 1. The Physics Department of the University of California has devised a scientific explanation why it is impossible for the university band to keep in perfect step—provided any layman can understand it.

The explanation is as follows: "They cannot all be in perfect step because if they are in perfect step they must be out of step because the front and back cannot be in step without being out of step."

In brief: If not less understandable words the department explains that when a 125-piece band marches on the football field the men in the front lines cannot be in perfect step with the players in the rear.

However, in the event simple English does not make the situation clear, the department explains that the law of physics governing the matter is something as follows:

"Sound travels at the rate of 1,080 feet a second and the music from the band pieces in the front lines takes an appreciable length of time to reach the players in the rear rows. The bandmen in the back rows cannot be in step with their own playing and still keep in step with the men marching ahead of them."

—United Press.

X-Ray Finds Ring Lost In Making Pudding

Sydney, Dec. 4. The X-ray apparatus has been used for an unusual job at a Sydney hospital.

A woman brought a plum pudding to the hospital. She said that while making the pudding she had lost her ring and wondered whether it was in the pudding. She didn't want to wreck the pudding looking. The X-ray revealed the ring nestled against a sultana.—United Press.

A Prince Who Spent £200,000 Is Tired Of Pleasure



I'll Be No Housewife

—Mrs. John Barrymore

New York, Dec. 1. **MISS ELAINE BARRIE** has her heart's desire. After two years of tempestuous courtship she and Mr. John Barrymore, the film star, were married as the clock struck midnight at Yuma, Arizona.

The ceremony was performed by Judge Freeman, who has heard many famous stars say "I do." Mr. Barrymore gave his age as 48, although "Who's Who" states that he is 54. Elaine, who has only recently left college, gave hers as 21.

The journey from Hollywood was made by air, and the famous screen lover, who had risen from a sick-bed to attend his wedding, looked worn and tired as he signed the marriage register.

Mr. Barrymore said to-day: "I have been planning this for a year."

Miss Elaine Barrie, on her return to Hollywood to-day, said:

"I will be no housewife, if washing dishes is what you mean. I am continuing my stage career."—United Press.

£60,000 FOUND IN GARDEN

Berlin, Nov. 24. **NEARLY** £60,000, in gold rings, old jewellery, family heirlooms, and banknotes of all countries, was dug up to-day in the garden of Karl Nathan, Hamburg's pawnbroker "king."

Nathan did not see his treasure brought to light. He committed suicide while workmen were digging for it.

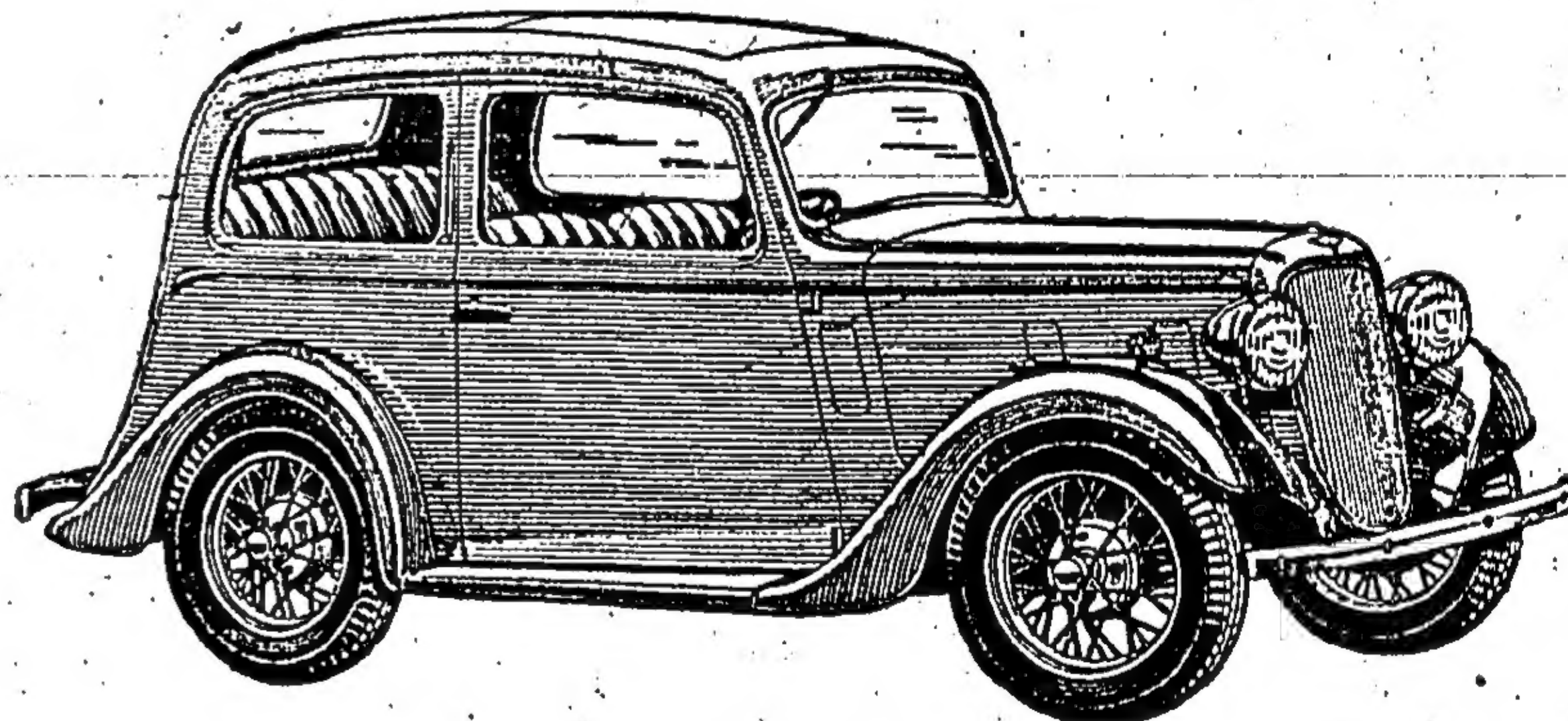
Dozens of girls turned up at the London Theatre to apply for a place in the chorus of the pantomi me "Cinderella". Picture shows two applicants watching their colleagues dancing on the stage.

BEDROOM V. BATHROOM

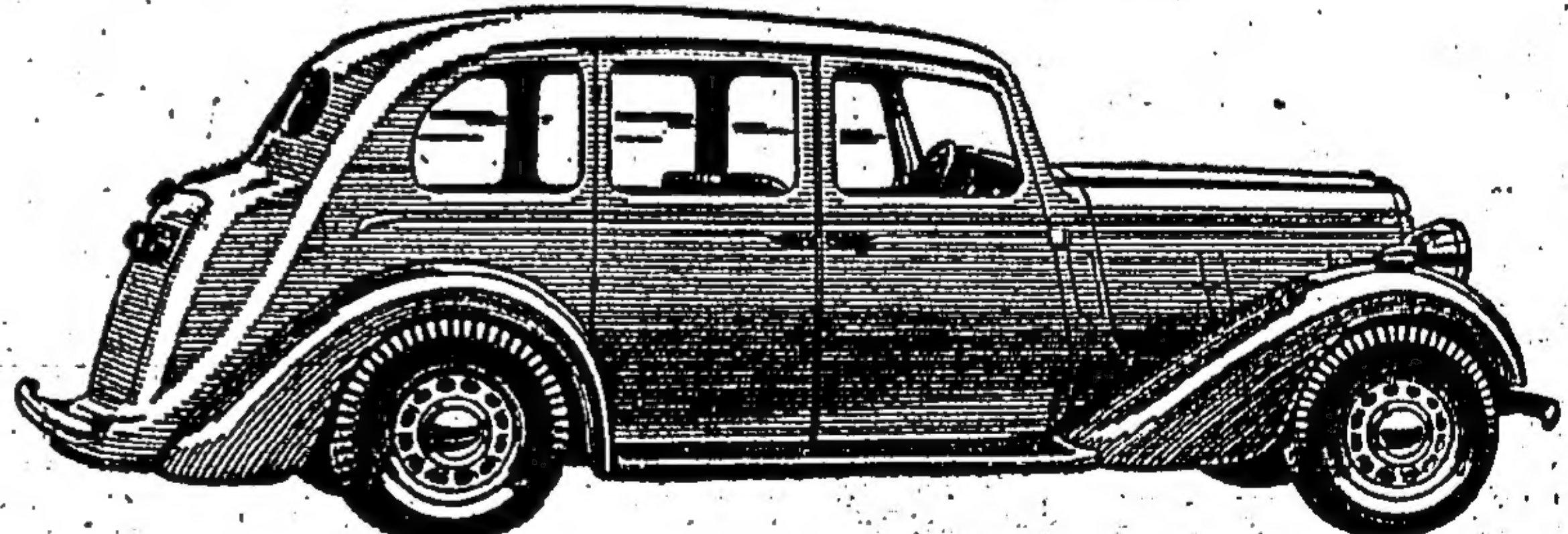
Atlantic City, Nov. 15. You're safer standing on a cake of soap in the bathtub than you are walking around in the bedroom. That's what Lloyd A. Blanchard of Boston told delegates of the National Safety Council at their recent annual meeting. More fatal falls occur each year in bedrooms than in bathrooms, he said.—United Press.

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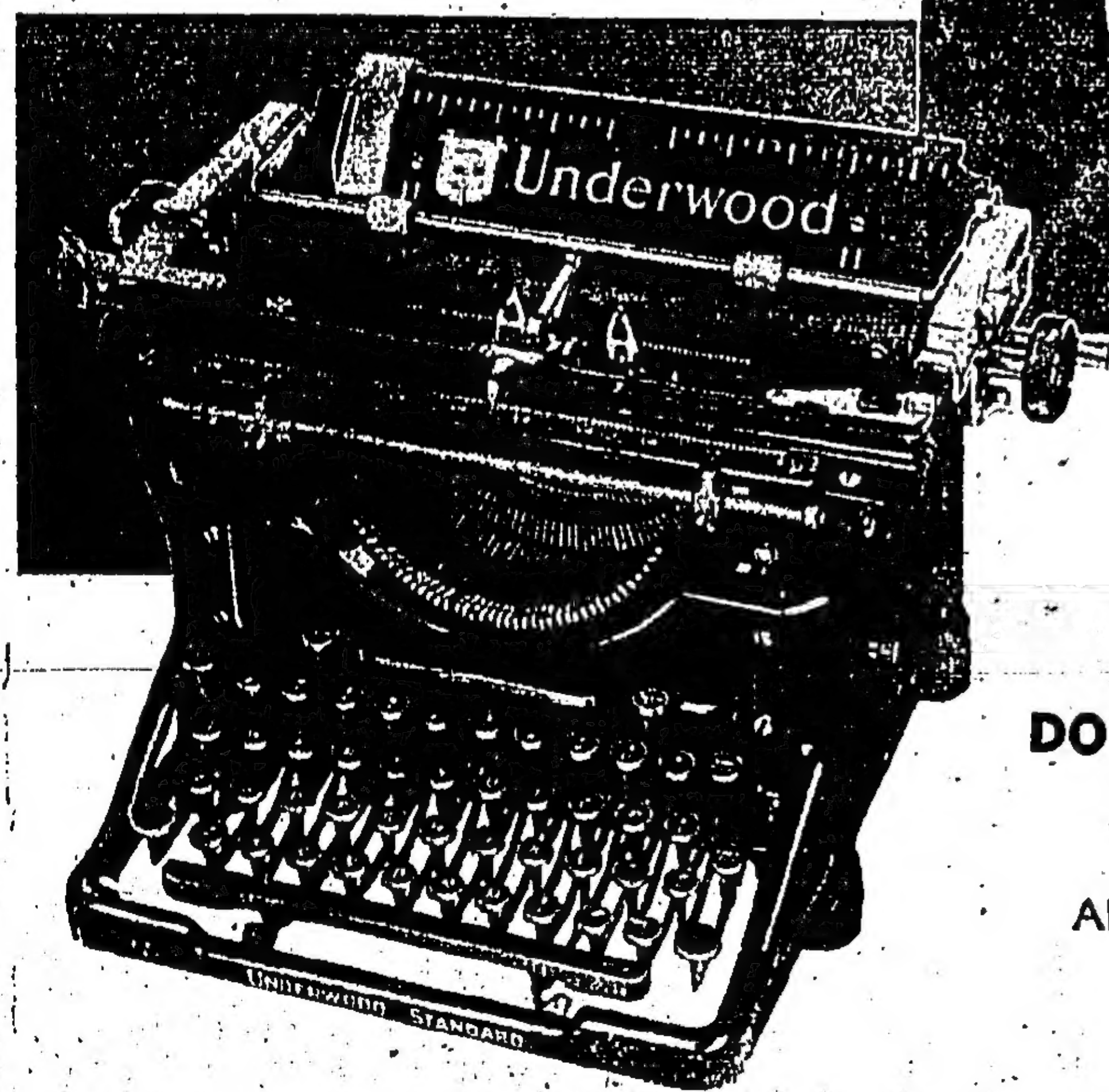
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—U. S. View

By LOUISE MORGAN

I ASKED Hugh Baillie (who should know) to name the present outstanding personalities in world news when I met him to-day.

Baillie is a news expert. As president of the United Press of America he sells news to 1,400 papers in 40 countries and to 90 American radio stations.

He started in newspapers as a reporter in 1910. Last year he interviewed Hitler, Mussolini, Litvinov and Laval.

You may not agree with Baillie's "news football eleven." Here they are in order of popular interest:

Roosevelt.	The Pope.
King Edward.	Baldwin.
VIII.	Mussolini.
Hitler.	Lindbergh.
Stalin.	Joe Louis.
Blum.	

Roosevelt is momentarily the captain because of interest in his new programme.

WHY ALL MEN?

"These are all men on your list, I pointed out. "They would be," he retorted. "Women have not yet had the opportunity to rate permanently in world news."

Government trends are the dominant factor in news to-day, he maintains, and the biggest news story would be the assurance that there was not going to be a world war for the next ten years.

"Since Mussolini went into Abyssinia," he said, "there has been an unprecedented run of world news which has changed all previous standards."

JOBS AND THE FUTURE

"Personalities in the world news are now almost exclusively political. Theatre and cinema people have faded."

"Politics and economics are no longer thought of in the abstract, but are interpreted by the ordinary man and woman in terms of a job, food, shelter and the future of their children."

Another shift in popular interest which has happened all over the world, he says, is the emphasis on peace instead of war.

PRINCESS JULIANA

WEDDING FIXED FOR JAN. 7

The Hague, Dec. 1. It was officially announced to-day that Princess Juliana's wedding to Prince Bernhard zur Lippe-Biesterfeld will take place here on Jan. 7. The banns will be put up on Dec. 19.

A civil ceremony at the Town Hall will be followed by a ceremony at the Cathedral.

The wedding will take place on the 57th anniversary of the marriage of Princess Juliana's grandparents, King William III. and Queen Emma.

Mrs. Chaplin Weds

Santa Ana, California, Dec. 1. Mrs. Lilita Louise Chaplin, formerly Miss Lita Grey, Charlie Chaplin's second wife, was married to Henry Aguirre Jun., an actor, on September 21. It is now revealed.

Miss Lita Grey, who is 28, appeared with Charlie Chaplin in "The Kid" and "The Gold Rush."—Reuter.

WHY LINCOLN GREW A BEARD

GIRL WHO MADE HIM DIES AT 88

Delphos, Dec. 1. The "shocked" schoolgirl, who was reputed to have induced Abraham Lincoln to grow a beard has died here at the age of 88. She was Mrs. Grace Bedell Billings. As a school-girl of 11 during the election campaign of 1860, she was "shocked" by the smooth-shaven face of Mr. Lincoln as depicted on the posters. She therefore wrote to Mr. Lincoln advising him to replace his smooth cheeks with the more manly whiskers.

"Dear Mr. Lincoln," she wrote. "I think you would look better with whiskers. Two of my brothers are Republicans, two are Democrats. I think I could get my Democratic brothers to vote for you if you wore a beard."

The Republican Presidential candidate wrote in reply: "Don't you think people would call it a silly affection if I began wearing whiskers?"

However, after Mr. Lincoln had won the election he came to Westfield, New York State, where the little girl lived, and asked her to come forward.

"Mr. Lincoln climbed down through the crowd and sat down with me on the edge of the station platform," Mrs. Billings recalled.

Grace, he said, "Look at my whiskers. I have been growing them for you. Then he kissed me. I never saw him again."—Reuter.



Joe Di Maggio didn't have as much trouble reaching home for the Yankees in the World Series as he did in reaching home from the San Francisco Ferry Building. When the sensational rookier outfielder landed in his home town he was stormed by friends and well-wishers, cheered, slapped on the back and paraded up Market-st.

Robbery Theory In Riviera Murder: Sailor Hunted

Paris, Dec. 1.

FIVE French sailors, believed to have travelled in the same coach as Mme. Suzanne Garola, Riviera train-murder victim, are to-day being hunted by French police, who wish to interview them.

An appeal has also been broadcast for all passengers on the train to come forward and give any help they can.

Four clues have been found. Most important is a fair hair, believed to be a man's, found on the seat on which Mme. Garola was lying. It has been sent to Dr. Beroud, police expert, at Marseilles.

Next comes a man's handkerchief with the initial M-embroidered on it. The handkerchief was part of the pad used to asphyxiate Mme. Garola. A cheap suitcase and a broken glass scent spray containing traces of ethyl chloride, are considered to be less important as they are of standard make obtainable all over France.

She Was Suffocated

Medical evidence shows that Mme. Garola was not killed by the anaesthetic, but died of suffocation.

In view of this, French police believe that the crime was committed by robbers, who took Mme. Garola's money after gagging her, then chained her so that she could not give the alarm before they left the train.

Acting on the robbery theory, police to-day rounded up all suspicious characters in the Riviera district, especially Marseilles, questioned them closely. Photographs of three who cannot show satisfactory alibis are being sent to Nico for inspection by the crew of the train.

The theory of a "love crime" is rejected by the police and by all Mme. Garola's friends.

Gardens.

The car, a large black one of German make, is lined with heavy tapestries and equipped with special heating and ventilation apparatus to prevent the Pope from catching cold.

THE POPE

The Pope is Now Almost a Recluse

CHANGES IN HIS ROUTINE AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS

Vatican City, Dec. 1.

CHANGES have been made in the regime which for fifteen years has ordered the official and private life of Pope Pius XI.

Partly on the advice of physicians, but largely on his own initiative, the Pontiff is refitting his life into a new routine. He is becoming more than ever a studious recluse.

He is afflicted with the accumulated frailties of advanced age (the Pontiff is nearly 80) and worn by years of office lately accentuated by the constant rumble of war-thunder. His public appearances have been reduced in number.

Audiences and benedictions are curtailed to the minimum required of his high office.

NO WALKS NOW

Vatican authorities say that Pius now rare public duties have given him more time for the vital problems facing the Catholic Church, for his books, and for personal correspondence with bishops and cardinals.

Among the most significant indications of the Pontiff's increasing frailty is the fact that he has given up his favourite exercise—walking.

He formerly was seen frequently shortly after dawn, walking meditatively in the gardens of the Vatican. He now bowed, hands clasped behind

him, often lifting his head and breathing deeply. He was once a keen mountain climber.

Away from prying eyes, the Pope spends most of his day in his private chambers on the third floor of the Vatican.

He descends by means of a private lift to the official chambers on the second floor less frequently now. On the second floor he receives cardinals and other high functionaries.

A private stairway connects the third floor suite with the inner court of the Vatican, so that the Pope's physicians and others of a small intimate circle may come and go undisturbed or unseen.

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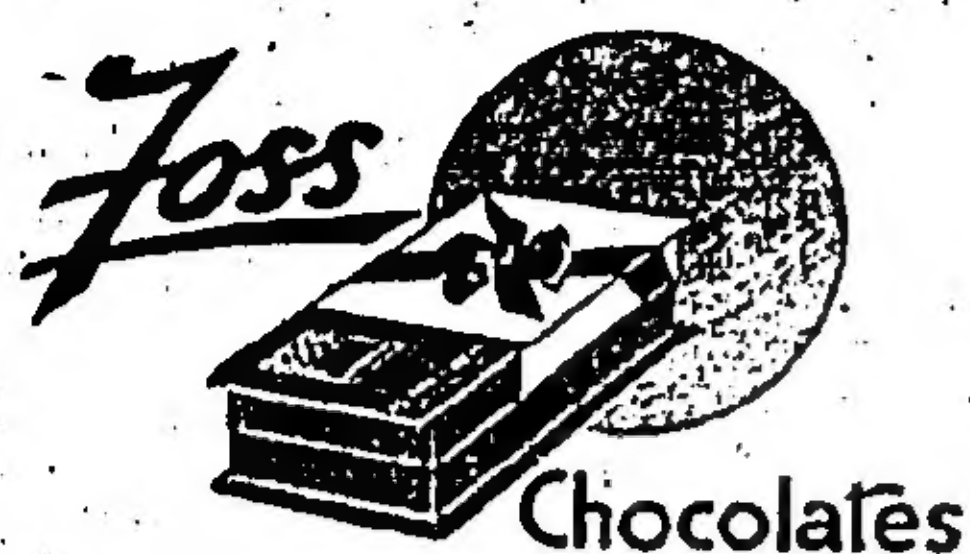
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A TRIUMPH FOR CONSTITUTIONALISM

There were moments in the crisis which arose over King Edward's decision to contract a marriage against which his Ministers advised him when a belief prevailed in some quarters that undue pressure was being brought on the young monarch by the Prime Minister. Any such idea has now been once and for all dispelled by the frank and unambiguous statement which Mr. Baldwin made in his abdication announcement in the House of Commons. It is, indeed, clear that, throughout the painful conversations which the Premier had with His Majesty, Mr. Baldwin discharged a most difficult task not only with circumspection, but in a manner which heightens his reputation as a statesman. Even Mr. Winston Churchill, who had figured prominently amongst the critics of the Premier during the period of suspense, was compelled, by the facts revealed, to declare to the House of Commons his conviction that the decision was taken by King Edward freely, voluntarily and spontaneously, in his own time and way. From an even more unexpected quarter support for Mr. Baldwin was forthcoming when Mr. James Maxton, the extreme Leftist, paid a warm tribute to the manner in which the Premier had discharged a task of the utmost difficulty, adding that the decision made was in strict accordance with constitutional principles. It can, indeed, be said that the Prime Minister has come out of this crisis, which at one time threatened to cause the resignation of the Government, with his prestige higher than ever before in his career. No one can have read his speech without being conscious of the extreme emotion which he felt, and the very real sympathy shown him by all parties in the House must have been some recompense to him for the trying experiences which he was compelled to undergo. Two further points of importance emerge from the historic sitting of Parliament. The first is that, in a time of crisis, party differences are forgotten; the second, that although there is a change of sovereign, the Throne itself stands as firm as ever. In this latter connection, it is moving to read of the manner in which the people as a whole are demonstrating their loyalty to the new King. Already they have taken him to their hearts. The Crown and all that it stands for remain unshaken. The days ahead may be faced with high hope and confidence in the future stability of the Throne and the Empire.



New King is Grand Master Mason of Scotland.

A MAN who earned the undying hatred of the criminal classes in England, passed through Hongkong this week, on the Blue Funnel liner Hector. He was Sir Trevor Bigham, K.B.E., C.B., for four years Deputy Commissioner of Metropolitan Police in London and one of the brains behind the "Big Five."

One of the few men who really "acclimatised" themselves to the criminal psychology the better to be able to defeat it, Sir Trevor played a big part in introducing new attacks on subversive elements in the world's greatest city before he retired in 1924. He saw the introduction of every art and science to police work, including the wireless van, the Flying Squad and the band of highly trained specialists whose remarkable successes and mysterious identities, earned them the sobriquet of the "Big Five."

When big cases broke and threatened to join the host of unsolvable crimes which accumulated with the new era of crime in London, Sir Trevor studied the data personally, decided on the course to pursue and then called in the "Big Five" to follow out the lines he had dictated. In this way Sir Trevor's name became more associated with the prevention of crime than that of the actual detectives whose names were carefully concealed from the public, and, as right hand man, of the Commissioner, Lord Byng, wrongdoers acquired a thorough respect and fear of him.

Frank Trevor Roger Bigham was born in 1876, educated at Eton and Magdalen College, second son of the 1st Viscount Mersey, became a barrister in 1901. Threw up the law to study criminology and was appointed Chief Constable in the Metropolitan Police, later Assistant Commissioner, and then head of the Criminal In-



Air Commodore A. W. Tedder, newly appointed to the command of the Royal Air Force in the Far East. He left Hongkong yesterday by the Imperial Airways liner Dorado on which he paid a flying visit to this section of his command. During the War he served on the Western Front and was in command of No. 207 (Bomber) at Burton New-ton, Norfolk. In 1922 he was at Constantinople and since has instructed at the High Training School and R.A.F. Staff College.

These Names Make News

Criminals Hated This Man Master Of "Big Five."

Investigation Department at Scotland Yard. Twice married, his second wife is his former secretary.

His Hobby—

Looking Around

SKIMMING the cream from life in an unenviable carefree manner, is the Hon. R. A. G. Baird who sails from Hongkong to-morrow in a small yacht, bound with two companions for Australia.

Soldier, aviator, film actor and chiefly adventurer, Baird has carried his fun all over the world. Born in Scotland, the son of Lord Stonehaven, he went to Eton and Sandhurst, joined the Gordon Highlanders and saw service on Empire outposts.

In India he saw the rough side on the frontier, and the formal society life of the Court as Aide-de-Camp to the Viceroy. Big game shooting in Somaliland and Abyssinia helped to pass away the time till he went to Egypt as a pilot in the Royal Air Force before rejoining his old regiment at Malta.

Then he went to Australia and was A.D.C. to Sir A. Hoare Ruthven, Governor of South



A yacht and the wide seas for the Hon. R. A. G. Baird.

Australia. At the same time his father, Lord Stonehaven, was Governor General.

Home in England after six years' absence, he was there only three weeks before going off to America. He acted in several films by Twentieth Century-Fox and was taking part in the production of Lloyd's of London when he felt the urge to travel again. He came by ship as far as Shanghai and then bought a life-boat from the Mindaroon steamer which was in the breakers' hands, had it fitted up as a yacht with an emergency motor bus engine, and set out with two companions



He made the wickets fly.

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Wickets Were

Too Wide

UNPLAYABLE Allen and trickster Voece were responsible for Australia's great upset in the first Test match at Brisbane. Of Allen it can rightly be said that he played a Captain's innings. Scored 35 and 68, took 3 wickets for 71, and 5 for 36.

Australians obtained a crumb of satisfaction from the fact that he was born in 1902 in Sydney where his uncle was head of the oldest legal firm. Allen played at Eton, won his Blue at Cambridge and, as a freshman there, took nine wickets against Oxford. Scored 130 runs for Gentlemen against Players, joined Middlesex and did sterling work with both bat and ball.

A member of Jardine's Test side which visited Australia in 1932, he took 21 wickets in five matches of which England won four. This year he captained the team which beat the All-India visitors.

King and Master

Mason

The new King celebrates his 41st birthday on Monday, a fitting occasion to mark the high honours that have fallen naturally on his shoulders through the trying crisis that has now ended.

Though two of his brothers have been to Hongkong, including Edward VIII, George VI is known to most of us here chiefly through the medium of the Press. Now he will be nearer to local Masons by reason of his

acceptance of the dignity of Grand Master Mason of Scotland. The Duke's installation in this high office was arranged to take place at the end of November.

In accepting the office the King was following in the footsteps of several heirs-presumptive to the English throne.

A curious position now arises. The then Duke of York accepted the office because the Sovereign, then his brother, would naturally not actively participate in Freemasonry but consented to be Patron of the Scottish craft. I wonder if the King will now have to relinquish the office and whether it will be taken up by the Duke of Gloucester.

Millions Will Pray

For Him

PRAYERS have gone up from millions of Catholics all over the world this week to restore to health the Holy Father, Pope Pius XI, baptised Ambrogio Domenico Achille Ratti, born in 1857 in Desio, near Milan.

At the age of 79, the two hundred and sixty-first successor of the First Pontiff, St. Peter, can claim to have carried the Vatican through one of the most quickening periods of its existence with signal success. The history of the Papacy is a thread of alternate scintillation and dullness through the centuries but, under the leadership of the present Pope, offspring of a family of small silk operatives, it has taken unprecedented steps to modernise with a changing world.

Beloved Pope Pius XI negotiated the Lateran Treaty and Concordat by which he recovered the temporal power lost in 1870 and secured release from virtual imprisonment in the Vatican. He denounced Fascism for its acts of violence against Catholics but, after reconciliation with Mussolini, gave permission for children of Catholics to join the organisation.

Daringly, he placed a ban on Catholic reading of *Action Francaise*, a French Royalist newspaper, because its writers placed politics before religion. Incidentally, he designated St. Francis of Sales as the patron saint of Catholic journalists.

Pope Pius has concluded pontificate concordats, with Poland and Bavaria. In successive Encyclicals, he has condemned birth-control, companions and mixed marriages, divorce, and sterilisation of the unfit. No one could be a good Catholic and a true Socialist, he said.

As truly a man of the times as could be consistent with his high office, Pius XI was the first Pope to leave the Vatican for 70 years in 1929, the first to give a press interview and to speak over the air. Despite his break-

BULLS AND INNERS

From the Office Butts

China's new tax on incomes will add to people's outgoings.

An astrologer says he sees, in the skies, good times for everybody. But it looks as if we shall have to wait to get there before we have them.

Chinese Press reports state that suspicious movements have been noticed on the Min River. Probably merely seasonable—Mn aples!

In the interests of national economy, a "Simple Dinner Movement" has been launched in Nanking. This looks like hitting below the belt.

An item of social advice says that onions should not be taken before dancing. Depends where you're going to take them, of course.

Goose flesh is stated to be better than that of duck. After an early morning swim the other day, we doubt it.

Hongkong young men are said to be impatient with the old buffers. In the permanent way.

The man charged with scraping gold-leaf from a sign-board, hoped to profit from hoarding.

Auntie. Caustic thought that a cabaret referred to a full taxicab rank.

Synthetic mistletoe has now been produced. Kissing will probably be just as genuine, though.

A writer says it is impossible to "save" daylight. Especially when you burn the candle at both ends.



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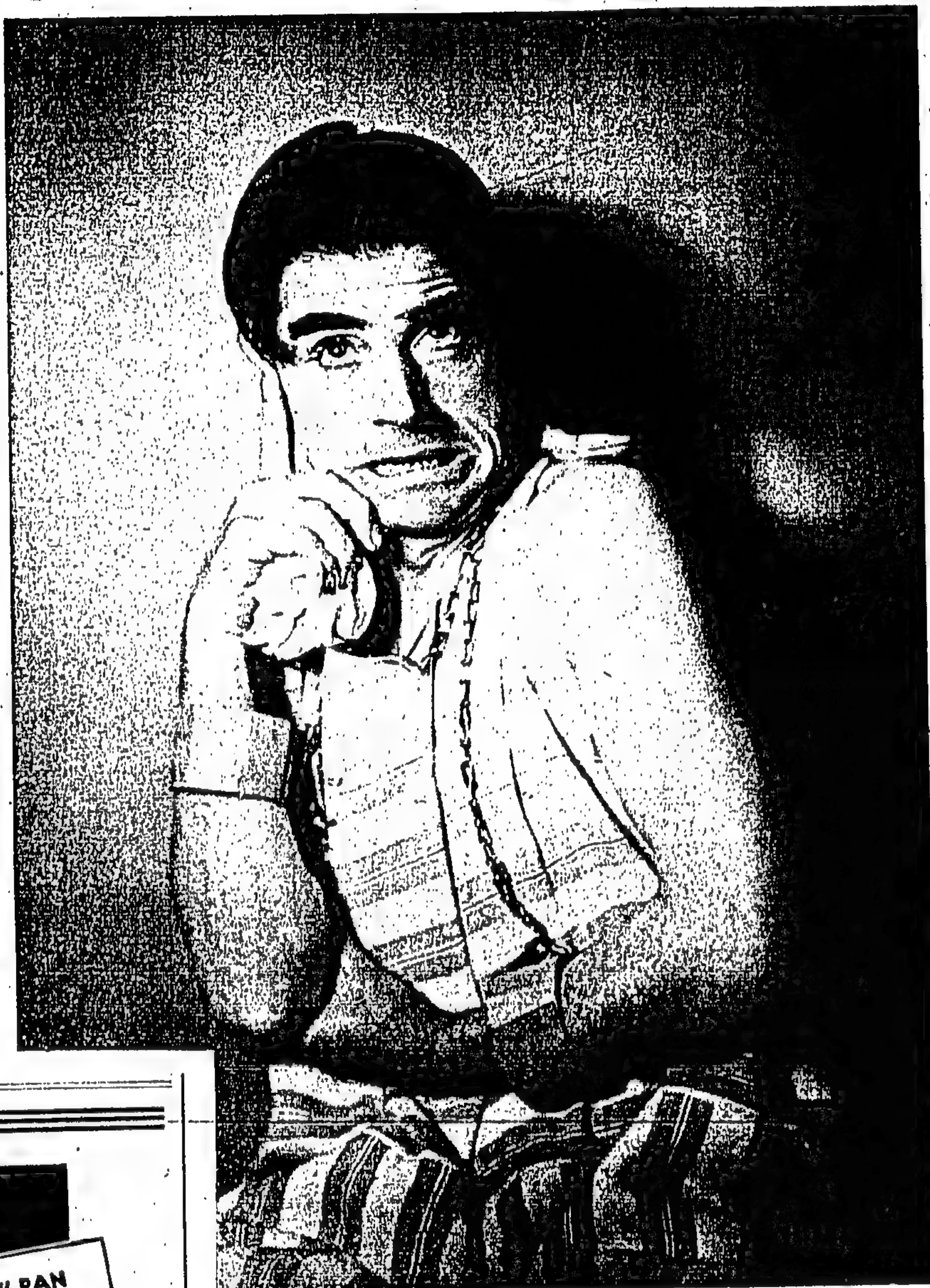
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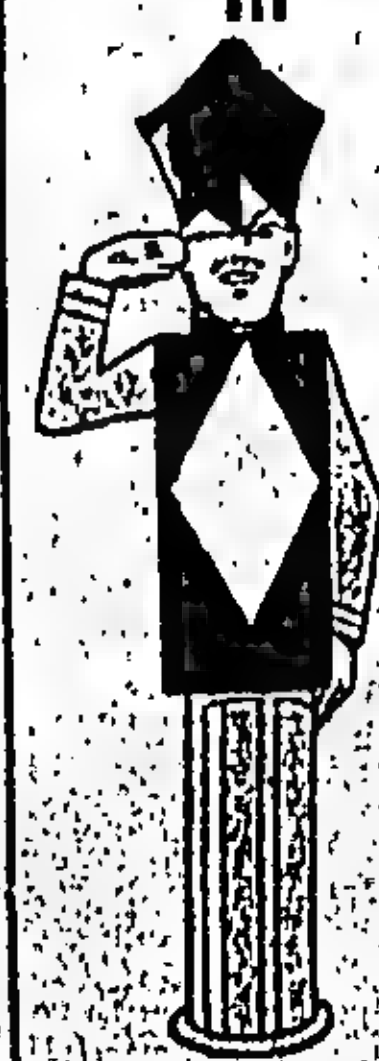
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THERE'LL BE A HOT TIME IN THE OLD HOME TOWN TO-NIGHT

BEAUTY will be on parade at the Hongkong Hotel from next Saturday. Spurred on by the belief that 1937 is going to be the most joyous, mad and lavish year of entertainment the Colony has known since the Great War, the Management of the Hongkong Hotel has gone to considerable trouble and expense in securing cabaret entertainment of an extraordinary high nature.

Setting a pace that will be hard to maintain for the rest of the season, the Gripps and Roof Garden are opening the Christmas rounds next Saturday with Vera Love and ten other beautiful girls, whose photos you'll find elsewhere in this issue.

Eula Hoff and Bob Burnett, who have proved the year's most popular duo with their extraordinary dancing feats, have been held over by popular demand, and will also entertain during the festive season.

Christmas Eve celebrations at the Hongkong Hotel will not end until 3 a.m., while on New Year's Eve, merry-makers will be able to keep going until 4 a.m., the latest for many years.

Incidentally, as an added inducement (as if it were needed), the Management has decided to reduce the price of champagne on Christmas and New Year's Eves from \$19 to \$17.

Over 300 reservations have already been made for New Year's Eve. First come gets the cream of the tables, late-comers will probably get the cold, fresh air. Moral—book early.

"ROMEO AND JULIET" after-theatre crowds last night received special treat at Hongkong Hotel, when Norman Brooks and His Band, whom you'll hear regularly from now on, were introduced to dance-goers.

These American lads, specially imported by Hongkong Hotel, gave Grippians an idea last night what real dance music is like. Brooks has selected the top-notchers in dance musicians to form his Orchestra, and has succeeded in welding together a dance-band combination that is something out of the hat for Hongkong.

OUTSTANDING programme of gaiety has also been scheduled for Christmas, New Year by Gloucester Hotel, who have for your amusement and entertainment six artists, in four separate teams. On the bill are the Duo Artinellis, dancers of unusual worth, the Dixie Sisters, from "way down south," Fina Rox and Rinaldo, "Pop" Gellman's Gloucester Cossocks, complete with furs and turbans, will provide mad and merry music until 2 a.m. on Christmas Eve, 2 a.m. on Boxing Day and 3 a.m. on New Year's Eve. Gloucester is making special arrangements for after-dinner as well as dinner patrons, is charging only \$2 for former.

CHIEF social event next week is Philharmonic Society's production of "Maid of the Mountains," whose cast you see liberally bespattered across three pages of this Supplement.

To-morrow morning the players will have their final rehearsal before Full Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday night. "Maid" will open on Wednesday, will play each night until Saturday, on which day there'll also be a Matinee.

Looking through the jaundiced eye of a critic habitually prepared to sniff at local amateur efforts, this Page has to admit that rehearsals indicate that Cyril Brown has licked his cast into such excellent shape that the "Maid" promises to be one of Philharmonic's most outstanding shows in recent years.

Anne Winter and Jack Grenham are the two towers of strength, but the other pillars are also on pretty safe foundations.

Lifting music of "Maid of the Mountains" goes a long way towards assuring its success, and it's safe to forecast that next week most of you will be whistling or singing "Bachelor Gals" and some of the other old-time popular airs of the play.

Incidentally, Hongkong's Philharmonic has now reached its 75th year, a record only equaled in the Far East by the local A.D.C., which has been going since 1845.

This Page's second last word on "Maid" is one of advice to intending patrons. While it's very nice to go on the final night, it would be much nicer for Philharmonic if you could arrange to go on Wednesday or one of the week nights. Because Hongkong audiences have fallen into the evil habit of leaving everything to the last minute, the theatre is invariably booked on Saturday nights, and many patrons are consequently disappointed. Go along on Wednesday night, and you'll probably enjoy the show well enough to want to go again.

Final word is one of admonition to those of Philharmonic's Committee responsible for barring newspaper critics from attending Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday night, the first occasion this has ever been done. Consequence is that critics, who formerly wrote bulk of their critiques from Dress Rehearsal attendances, must return to offices well after midnight on opening night, and slug away at typewriter in a race against morning paper deadline in order to get their copy inserted. They cannot do justice to a play under these circumstances. Hongkong newspapermen can be relied upon to overlook faults that are obviously due to the fact that players are in Full Dress for first time. This Page hopes that Philharmonic will rescind their decision regarding Full Dress Rehearsal.

HELENA MAY Social Committee, long noted for Yuletide activities for children, announces that an entertainment for children by children will be given in the Institute on Thursday next week at 3.15 p.m. Programme includes "The Apple of Discord," Greek play composed and performed by senior kiddies of the Peak School; "A Living Book of Nursery Rhymes," by Juniors of the same school. These two items are scheduled for Peak School's annual prize giving, but will be repeated at the H.M. Institute. Additional items include songs and dances by Vera and June Mausell, too.

CHILDREN'S CORNER TRANSFERRED TO PAGE ELEVEN

dancing by Peggy Stringer. Modest admission prices of 50 cents for children, \$1 for adults, are being charged.

THREE months ago these columns carried story of Radio Amateur Dramatic Society formed in Shanghai, hinted that such an idea would give healthy impetus to ZBW studio programmes. Entertainment Page hints have prompted Mr. J. S. Greenberg, former Shanghai leader, who had lots to do with northern city's I.A.D.C. to start similar scheme here. With nucleus of twelve members, Hongkong Aerial Amateur Dramatic Club had first audition this week, has since been notified by ZBW that Audition Committee, well-satisfied with tests, wants them to broadcast regularly from ZBW.

First programme will be given next month, will probably comprise two short skits, miniature musical comedy and satire on "Little Pink House," to familiar "Little Brown Jug" tune.

Membership is limited to young people between ages of 17 and 25. With exception of music, entire programmes will be original.

On behalf of listeners, Entertainment Page hands bouquet to Mr. Greenberg for conceiving idea.

INTERESTING broadcast scheduled for to-morrow morning might well be relayed by ZBW. It is broadcast by M. Andre Japy, French airman who crashed in Japan when almost within sight of 400,000 franc goal on Paris-Tokyo flight.

M. Japy is scheduled to speak for 15 minutes on Japanese medium-wave network, broadcast will be relayed to Paris, from where it will be relayed again to world via Radio Coloniale. Jap. medium-wavers are of sufficient power to be received here direct.

HONGKONG is to have a season of Italian Opera.

The Gonzales Company will play a season next March with a full repertoire of popular Italian operas.

It is the first time the company has visited Hongkong since 1925, and the return visit is based on the belief that there is a growing public in the Colony for musical shows.

IF the American shipping strike continues much longer, Hongkong film audiences at some of the major theatres will have to be content with re-plays of some of the old favourites.

"Hongkong and the rest of China is facing a severe film shortage as a result of the strike. We are getting some of our films via Canada, but we can't keep up with the demand."

A leading film distributor last night.

Y. M. C. A. Amateur Dramatic Society's casting difficulties for forthcoming Pantomime "Jack and the Beanstalk" have been finally overcome with securing of Leonard Starbuck for role of the Dame ("Widow Wanchai"). Starbuck is real acquisition, as he has done extensive work on amateur stage, particularly in leads for Nottingham Dramatic Club and Salisbury Dramatic Club. This is first time that Starbuck has



Anne Winter and C. W. Bishop

tackled Pantomime. His last performance at Home was lead in Noel Coward's "Easy Virtue."

Rehearsals have reached coherent stage, and Y.M.C.A. seems determined that this year's Panto will be one that will be remembered. Kath, which is proving delightful substitute for Audrey Steele, who withdrew shortly after rehearsals commenced.

Panto, is scheduled for Christmas Eve (5 p.m.) and Boxing Day (3 p.m.) Matinees and December 22, 23 and 24 at 9 p.m. Andersons Music Shop are accepting bookings.

TEST ANSWERS

Current Affairs

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Trouncer SOLUTION

It was a blazing evening in July. When, therefore, Playfair, on entering the flat, found "cubes of ice fresh from the refrigerator"—ice that was not yet quite melted—in a glass that was covered with Kitty's fingerprints, he knew that her alibi must be bogus. The arrest of Kitty and of her confederate, Trouncer, followed.



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TO-DAY THE "TELEGRAPH" STARTS YET ANOTHER INTERESTING NEW FEATURE—"THEY SAID OF HONGKONG"—BEING A SERIES OF EXTRACTS FROM JOURNALS AND LETTERS OF IMPORTANT SAYINGS BY IMPORTANT PEOPLE ABOUT THIS COLONY OF OURS.

THE CAPTURE OF HONGKONG

Extracts from a despatch from Viscount Palmerston, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to Queen Victoria, 10th April, 1841. Captain Elliot, after capturing the Chinese position at the mouth of the West River, concluded a preliminary treaty with the Chinese Government, which did not satisfy the Chinese, and which was strongly disapproved of by the British Ministry, as containing no mention of the opium traffic which Britain sought to see maintained, and which had been the cause of the war with China; Elliot was accordingly recalled, and succeeded by Sir Henry Pottinger, who became first Governor of Hongkong.

The treaty signed by Elliot provided for the cession of Hongkong to Britain, with payment of an indemnity of \$6,000,000, with provision for commercial facilities and collection of customs.

Foreign Office, 10th April, 1841.

VISCOUNT PALMERSTON presents his humble duty to your Majesty, and has the honour to submit the accompanying letters, which he received yesterday, about the operation in China, and which have just been returned to him by Viscount Melbourne, whose letter he also transmits.

Viscount Palmerston has felt greatly mortified and disappointed at this result of the expedition to China, and he much fears that the sequel of the negotiation, which was to follow the conclusion of these preliminary conditions, will not tend to render the arrangement less objectionable.

Captain Elliot seems to have wholly disregarded the instructions which had been sent to him, and even when, by the entire success of the operations of the Fleet, he was in a condition to dictate his own terms, he seems to have agreed to very inadequate conditions. The amount of compensation for the opium surrendered falls short of the value of that opium, and nothing has been obtained for the expenses of the expedition, nor for the debts of the bankrupt Hong merchants. The securities which the plenipotentiaries were expressly ordered to obtain for British residents in China have been abandoned; and the island of Chusan (Formosa) which they were specifically informed was to be retained till the whole of the pecuniary compensation should have been paid, has been hastily and discredibly evacuated. Even the cession of Hongkong has been coupled with a condition about the payment of duties, which would render that island not a possession of the British Crown, but, like Macao, a settlement held by sufferance in the territory of the Crown of China.

Viscount Palmerston has sent a small map of the Canton River, which your Majesty may like to keep for future reference.



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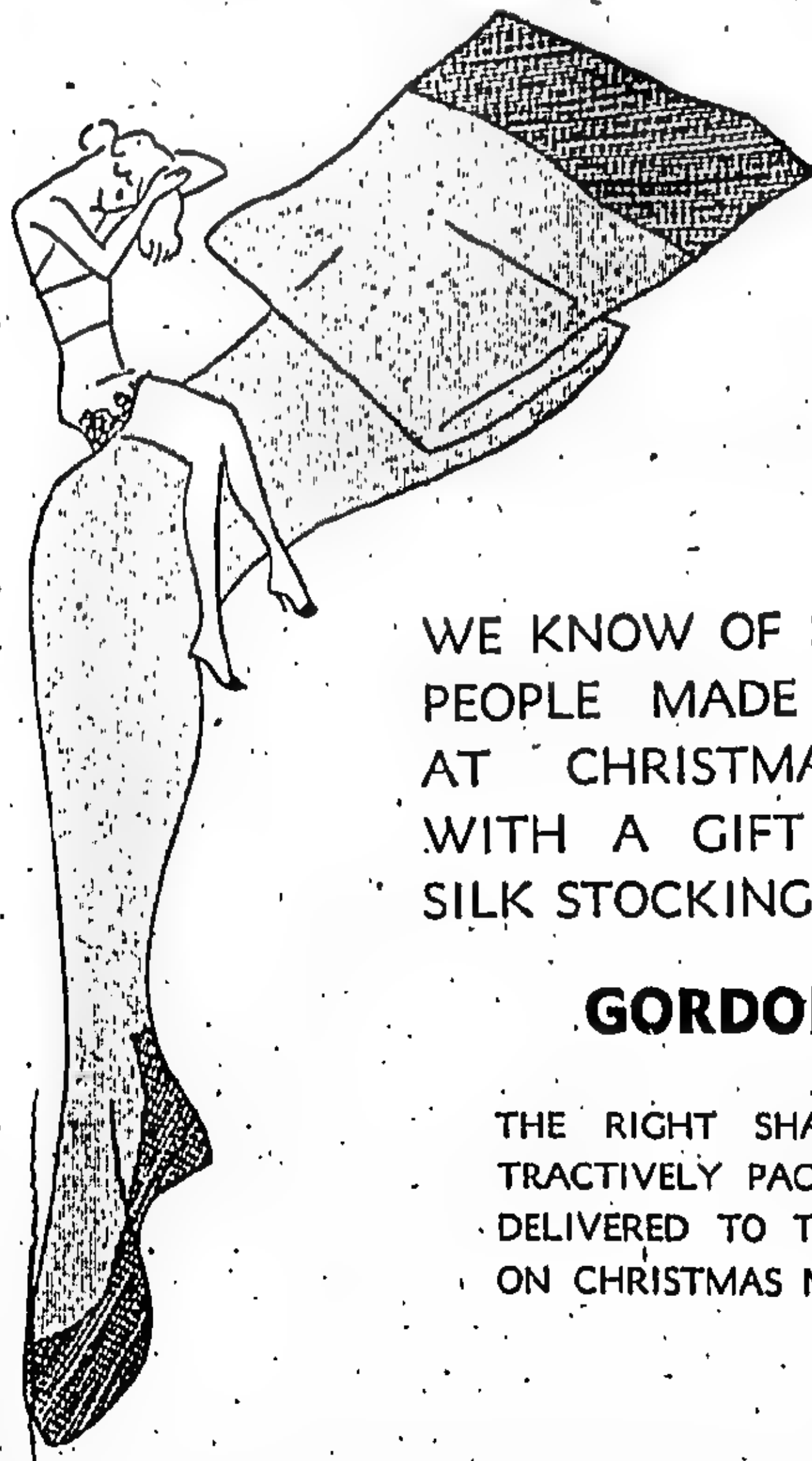
Current Affairs Test

How To Do It

FIVE possible answers are given for each question. Prime Minister of Great Britain is (1) MacDonald, (2) Chamberlain, (3) Hailsham, (4) Baldwin, (5) Lloyd George.

The number 4 (meaning Baldwin) has been placed at the right of 0 on the answer sheet.

Answers on Page Two.



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Home Affairs

1.—One of the most sensational events in British constitutional history is the conflict between H. M. the King and the House of Commons. A King Edward who was deposed by Parliament was (1) Edward I; (2) Edward II; (3) Edward III; (4) Edward IV; (5) Edward V.

2.—The Dominions played a big part in the Constitutional Crisis. The capital of the Dominion of New Zealand is (1) Wellington; (2) Auckland; (3) Christchurch; (4) Dunedin; (5) Otago.

3.—Mrs. Wallis Simpson is the centre of public interest. She took the name Wallis when her father died, her real Christian name being (1) Margaret; (2) Joan; (3) Kathleen; (4) Elizabeth; (5) Mary.

4.—British film has secured an enormous order from Egypt. This is for the construction of (1) roads linking the Sudan with Egypt; (2) a destroyer flotilla; (3) a delta barrage; (4) equipment for the Egyptian army; (5) deepening the Suez Canal.

5.—Monday is the birthday of the Duke of York. He was born in (1) 1890; (2) 1895; (3) 1901; (4) 1904; (5) 1895.

6.—The Spanish Government has left Madrid and is now at (1) Barcelona; (2) Bilbao; (3) Toledo; (4) Valencia; (5) Malaga.

7.—Colonel Beck was recently on a visit to London. He is Foreign Minister of (1) Hungary; (2) Rumania; (3) Sweden; (4) Holland; (5) Poland.

8.—President Roosevelt was given an enthusiastic reception in Montevideo, which is the capital of (1) Argentina; (2) Uruguay; (3) Paraguay; (4) Brazil; (5) Mexico.

9.—Switzerland has three official languages: German, French and Italian. It is now proposed to admit a fourth: (1) Esperanto; (2) Flemish; (3) Romansch; (4) Magyar; (5) Ido.

10.—Floods, following a typhoon, have claimed hundreds of lives in Isabela Province in the Philippines. The Philippine Islands were discovered in 1521 by (1) Magellan; (2) Captain Cook; (3) Christopher Columbus; (4) de Legaspi; (5) Dampier.

General

11.—Mr. Manuel Quezon is a visitor to Hongkong. He is (1) Chief Justice of the Philippines; (2) Speaker of the P. I. House of Representatives; (3) Attorney General of the Philippines; (4) Governor General of the Philippines; (5) President of the Philippines Commonwealth.

12.—Sir Trevor Bigham was a visitor to Hongkong this week. He was formerly (1) Superintendent of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade; (2) Under Secretary for the Dominions; (3) Deputy Commissioner of Metropolitan Police; (4) Director of Air Raids Precautions during the Great War; (5) Superintendent of Scotland Yard.

13.—This week occurred the anniversary of the world's greatest munitions explosion. This occurred in 1917 in (1) France; (2) Germany; (3) Russia; (4) Canada; (5) Italy.

14.—Drapery is to be painted on nude figures in the Sistine chapel. The artist responsible for them was (1) Titian; (2) Botticelli; (3) Michaelangelo; (4) Raphael; (5) Fra Angelico.

15.—There has been heavy trading this week in a certain commodity. This is (1) wheat; (2) cotton; (3) corn; (4) pepper; (5) sugar.

16.—There has been a Lord Mayor of London since 1189. In that year there came to the throne (1) William II; (2) Richard I; (3) Henry IV; (4) Edward II; (5) Stephen.

17.—Television is now in full swing. Its headquarters are at (1) Alexandra Palace; (2) Greenwich Observatory; (3) the General Post Office; (4) the Isle of Man; (5) Wembley.

18.—To-day the sun rose at (1) 5.56; (2) 6.22; (3) 6.53; (4) 6.20; (5) 7.18.

19.—"Eggs and Baker" has had a good press. The author is (1) Lord Dunsany; (2) John Masfield; (3) Walter de la Mare; (4) "Elizabeth"; (5) Mary Borden.

20.—"More Poems" by the late A. E. Houseman, is a much-discussed collection. Mr. Houseman was (1) a civil servant; (2) a journalist; (3) a preparatory schoolmaster; (4) a Cambridge professor; (5) a landowner in Shropshire.

21.—"Phoenix" is a collection of the unpublished work of D. H.

"INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR'S NOTEBOOK": 2

New Style
Detective
Story

All Clues Given
Answers on Page
Two

TROUNCER, notorious jewel thief, rang the bell of Kitty Deverell's flat. It was seven o'clock on a blinding evening in July.

Kitty Deverell opened the door. "Come on in, Nick. You're late, aren't you? Everything okay? Are those the doings?"

"These are the doings," said Trouncer. He mopped his forehead. "Phew, it's hot, Kitten. Give me a drink, I'm all in."

"Right," said Kitty, taking Trouncer's spoils from him and stowing them nonchalantly in her pocket. "Keep your gloves on, Nick. I wouldn't put it past Playfair to be searching this flat for finger-prints."

Lawrence. Lawrence wrote (1) Revolt in the Desert; (2) Arabia Deserta; (3) Of Human Bondage; (4) Decline and Fall; (5) The Plumed Serpent.

22.—Mr. Firth has written a history of Winchester School. The school dates from (1) 1382; (2) 1507; (3) 1440; (4) 1571; (5) 1802.

23.—The play "Parnell" is now to be seen at the New Theatre in London. Parnell died in (1) 1912; (2) 1846; (3) 1891; (4) 1864; (5) 1868.

24.—"Pagliacci" will be played at Covent Garden this month. The composer is (1) Verdi; (2) Puccini; (3) Mascagni; (4) Leoncavallo; (5) Scarlatti.

25.—"Romeo and Juliet" is acclaimed as one of the finest motion pictures of the year. Juliet is played in the film by (1) Mary Pickford; (2) Maureen O'Sullivan; (3) Gloria Swanson; (4) Gladys Swarthout; (5) Norman Shearer.

SCORE SHEET

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SCORE:

You know he was snooping round last week? Wait there, and I'll get you something good."

Trouncer sank into a chair. He had had a pretty strenuous afternoon. First, climbing, in broad daylight, the drainpipes of Lady Knotwhat's house at Stanmore; then waiting, flattened against the wall in an alcove, while Lady Knotwhat and her guests went in to lunch; finally, ransacking her bedroom, collecting the celebrated Knotwhat diamonds, essaying, once again, that perilous climb down the drainpipes. With the mercury at 80 degrees in the shade!

He felt that he had earned his drink. A moment later Kitty was back with "something good" on a tray—gin, limejuice, soda, cubes of lions were justified: no fingerprints were found save her own. "Gosh, that's the stuff," said Trouncer, with appreciation. He raised the glass in his elegantly-gloved hand. "Here's all the best, Kitten."

26.—"Swing Time" is showing simultaneously at three Hongkong Theatres. Ginger Rogers, who stars with Fred Astaire, was born in Missouri on July 16, (1) 1916; (2) 1911; (3) 1915; (4) 1912; (5) 1914.

27.—In the first test match, which England won at Brisbane this week, Australia went out for 58 in their second innings. Since the series started 100 matches have been won by both sides. Of these, England has won (1) 84; (2) 71; (3) 53; (4) 49; (5) 62.

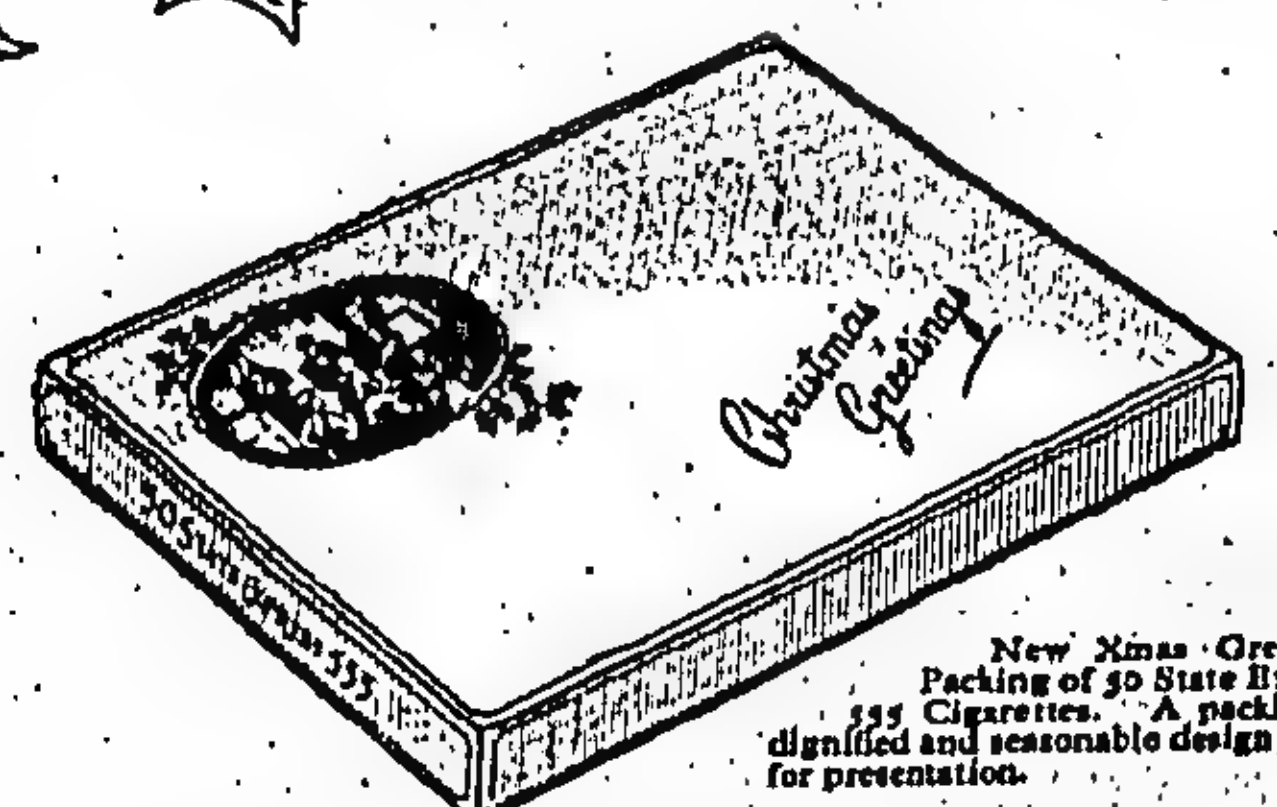
28.—Badminton is growing in popularity. The game is played with (1) a shuttlecock; (2) a hard ball like a cricket ball; (3) an elongated type of football; (4) counters; (5) a tennis ball.

29.—International Football this week between Hungary and Ireland resulted in (1) a 2-1 win for Ireland; (2) a 2-2 draw; (3) a 1-0 win for Ireland; (4) a 3-2 win for Hungary; (5) a 4-1 win for Hungary.

30.—Larwood has accepted a coaching position in India. He is a famous (1) golfer; (2) cricketer; (3) tennis player; (4) Rugby blue; (5) boxer.

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Bridal group taken at the wedding, at the Hongkong Union Church on Saturday, of Dr. Jack Thomas and Miss Nance T. Pettitt. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL (LONDON) OLD STUDENTS' REUNION DINNER.—Left to right: Back row: Dr. D. A. Smith, Prof. W. C. W. Nixon, Capt. G. Denning, R.A.M.C., Capt. J. Boyle, R.A.M.C. Front row: Dr. F. Burns, Dr. Wu Lien-teh, Dr. A. R. Wellington, Surgeon-Capt. G. D. Fergusson, R.N., Lt.-Col. W. Arthur, R.A.M.C. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Group taken at the Kam Ling Hotel after the wedding of Mr. Lai Ka-lang and Miss Wong Kim-ying. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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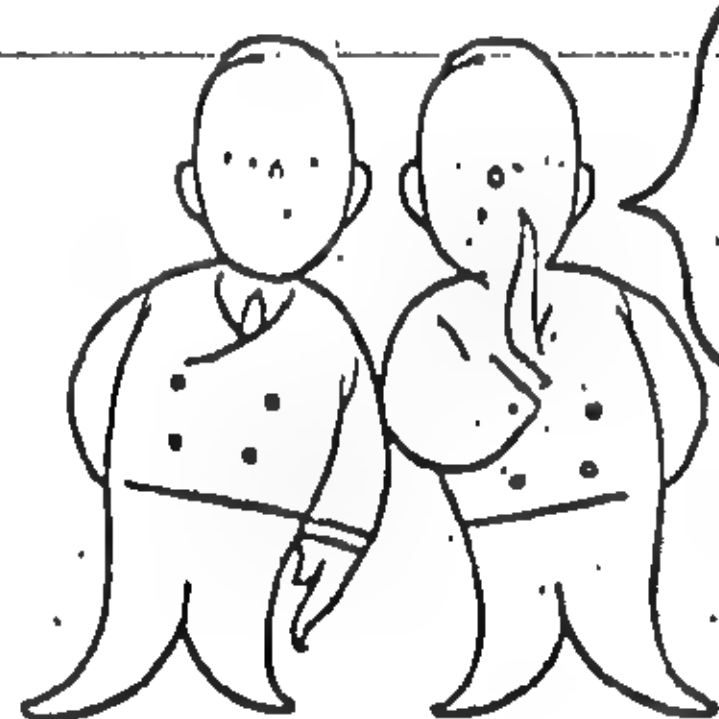
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Pictured above are members of the 5th Hongkong (Belilles School) Pack of Brownies, winners of the Totem Competition. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Mr. Kwan Wah-on and his bride, formerly Miss Leung Shuet-chun, photographed after their recent wedding. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



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THE MEN WHO WILL BE "DICTATORS"

(By A Diplomatic Correspondent)

In the event of any future outbreak of war Britain will be transformed almost overnight from the peacetime footing into a state of the utmost efficiency for engaging in a difficult conflict.

This is the intent of the plans set out in Britain's "War Book," to which Mr. Baldwin referred in the House of Commons recently.

To-day I am able to disclose the most important measures contained in the "War Book." These include:

- A vast rationing plan operated by a food controller;
- Air defence in five stages and with new weapons;
- Immediate arrest of every enemy alien;
- A plan to make food hoarding impossible.

The problem of Britain's food supplies in time of war is already being discussed by the Board of Trade officials in consultation with food producers.

The Co-operative movement and other chain-store organisations are being called into conferences to estimate the amount of food available at any given moment.

I understand that Sir William Beveridge, the famous economist who was a rationing official in the last war, will be appointed Britain's Food Controller if the need arises.

Here is the plan he would be called upon to operate. Ration cards will be supplied to every family. Two children will count as one adult. The food plan provides for extra rations for miners, farmers, and workers in shipbuilding, iron-moulding, and other heavy duties.

Shopkeepers will be compelled to keep a register of customers, and will only be allowed appropriate stocks. Goods in stock at the outbreak of war are to be set against any fresh supplies they are allowed.

Similarly, wholesalers must keep a register of retailers, and their supplies will be regulated accordingly.

In this manner the Food Controller, working under direct Cabinet orders, will eliminate any possibility of food hoarding.

Food transport as the task of the Minister of Transport. A Shipping Controller will organise supplies from overseas, co-operating with the Admiralty.

A NEW TYPE OF ESCORTING SHIP — THE BITTERN — IS BEING BUILT. IT IS A SMALL, VERY-HEAVILY ARMoured VESSEL, WHICH, ALTHOUGH BANKING AS A SLOOP, IS REALLY A POCKET CRUISER. For the first time air squadrons will also protect food convoys.

Within Britain the building of extra granaries and cold-storage plants is now being encouraged by the Government.

The development of the food canning and preserving industry in this country is helping to ensure increased reserve supplies at all times.

The entire organisation of Britain in time of war will be entrusted to high civil servants and representatives of the three Services, who will be given all most dictatorial powers.

I understand that on the outbreak of war the Government intend ordering the immediate arrest of every enemy alien.

Ration cards will not be issued to conscientious objectors and drastic action will at once be taken against agitators within war industries.

Every man is to be placed on active national duties. Those with independent means and no occupation must report for duty.

Local authorities must mobilise for the distribution of gas masks and be ready to co-operate in anti-aircraft operations.

The Air Ministry's contribution to Britain's "War Book" is, I learn, a five-stage scheme of air defence.

There will be the invisible air ray on the coast, described last week.

A terrific anti-aircraft barrage, from line air fighters, balloon aprons (encircling the big cities), more anti-aircraft guns.

The Air Ministry is now working full pressure on the balloon aprons, each of which is a curtain of highly tempered steel wire, three-quarters of a mile deep, suspended 4½ miles high by a line of gigantic balloons.

This scheme was mentioned in the House of Commons by Sir Thomas Inskip last week. Recently orders were placed with wire manufacturers in Britain for millions of miles of wire.

Man Who Claims Garbo Is His Wife

Belgrade, Dec. 1.

A man who claims to be the secret husband of Greta Garbo was arrested yesterday on Ljubljana on a charge of creating a disturbance, crowds having gathered outside his hotel after news had spread of the arrival of the film star's "husband."

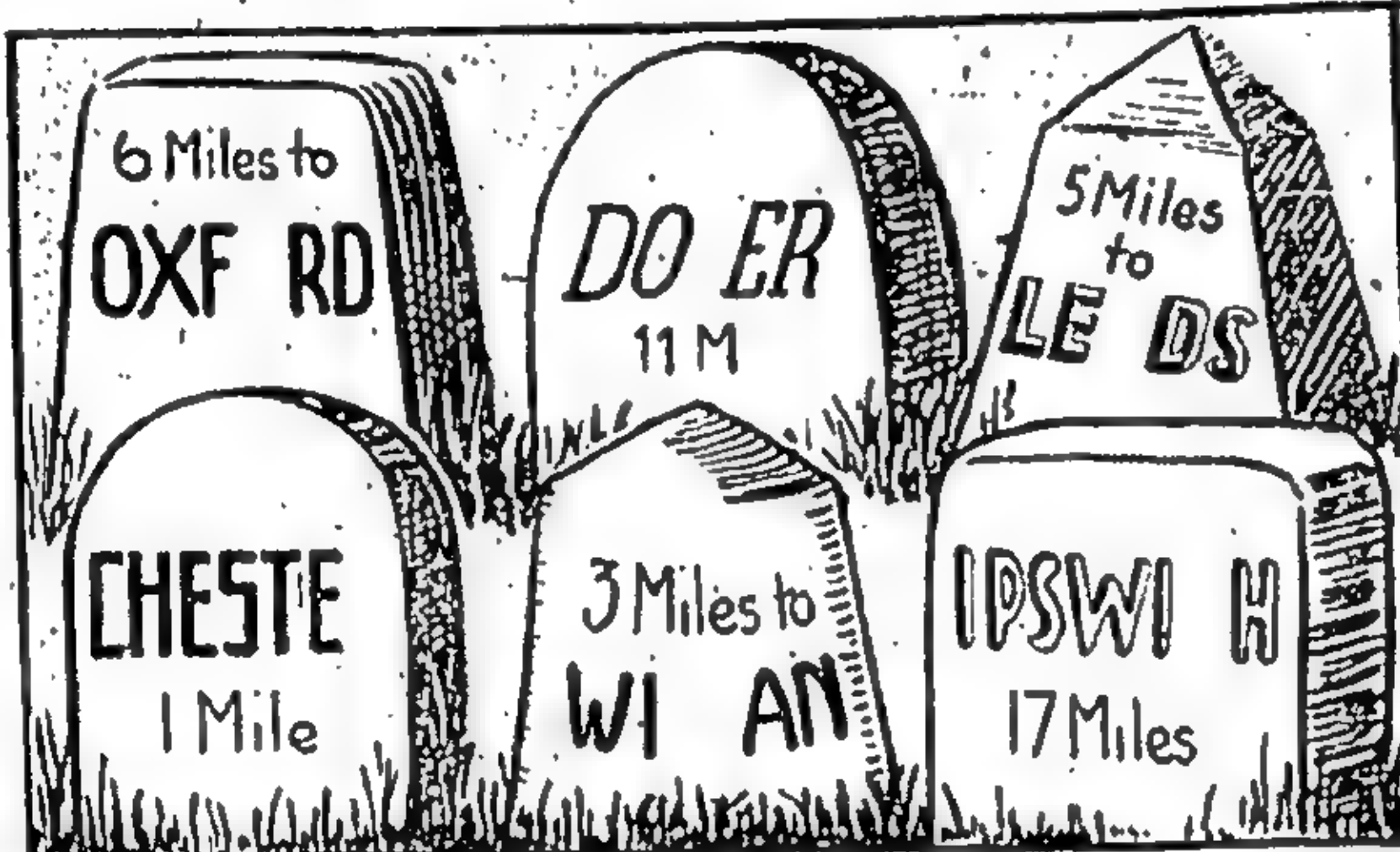
Cross-examined by police the man, Adolf Nul, of Graz, stated, "Yes, my wife is the divine Greta Garbo. We met and married in Paris and have three children living."

Police are holding the man for observation and investigation of his statements.



Vera Love and Her Ten Follies, who will open at the Hongkong Hotel next week for an extended season.

Girls' and Boys' Corner



Name Age

Address

Dear Kiddies, All of you, I know, will be looking out for the results of the Special Christmas Competition, in order to see who the lucky winners of the six prizes are. I can tell you that I had quite a job picking out the best entries from the huge number sent in. There were over a hundred altogether. These were all sorted into ages and gone through again and again before the final decisions were reached. And here is the list of winners.

SENIORS
1st. Prize (Xmas Stocking).—

Margie Xavier (aged 10), No. 17 Jordan Road, Kowloon.
2nd. Prize (Adventure Story-Book).—Barbara Laurel (aged 11), No. 1 Ningpo Street, Kowloon.
3rd. Prize (Embroidery Outfit).—Jill Stokes (aged 10), Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

JUNIORS
1st. Prize (Xmas Stocking).—Irene Osmond (aged 9), No. 29 Jordan Road, Kowloon.
2nd. Prize (Head Jewellery).—Freda Stephens (aged 9), No. 115 Wong Nei Chung Road.
3rd. Prize (Taxi Toys).—Rab Paterson (aged 5), No. 31 The Peak.

The winners are asked to call at the "Telegraph" Office for their prizes.

There's a tremendous list of commended competitors this week, owing to the high standard of the entries. Seniors who have won commendation for excellent work are:

M. Chester-Wood, Billy Hamer, Vida Jan, Sandra Mintz, Irma Xavier, Fernando Alves, William Deane, Carmen Tavaras, Eliza Xavier, Kim Wallace, Owen Hogg, Bing, Ho Men-chan, Anna To, Arthur Grimmett, Nelly Tschenko, Winnie Ho, Jeanne Freeman, Elsa Laurel, S. K. Khan, Betty Goodwin, Vivienne Churn, Mimi da Rosa, Isabel Harrison, Vera Dabner, Ho Shunk-chan, Celeste Marquer, Margaret Chou, Jacqueline Mathews, Peter Prince, Pauline Strang, Angelina Gardner, Manuel Harrocks, Joan Dredge and Joan Dyer.

Junior commended are Leonardo Xavier, Eileen Andrew, George Hudson, Perry Dedert, Margaret Home, John Anderson, Holly Jack, Teddy Shuster, William Barker, Peter Kimm, Joy Reddon, Ida Hanna, Joan Gillingham, George Peck, John Marx, Helen Logan, Peter Tschenko, Pamela Best, Vera Bankerville, R. E. M. Hunt, Lionel Xavier, Carlos Barro, John Hutton, Geraldine Ribeiro and Lillian Ferguson.

Now, children, I wonder how you'll like this week's Competition? Six letters only, if they are correct and well done, will win you a prize. The milestones shown in the picture bear the names of six well-known English towns, but there is one letter missing from each name. You have to decide what each missing letter is, and (this is most important) fill it in to match the other lettering of the name.

Send in your entries to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph," so as to reach him not later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday. Don't forget to make the letters match as neatly as you can.

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12.30 p.m. Light Concert Items.
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1.03 p.m. The London Palladium Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Renter Press, Rugby Press, Local: Weather, Time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Variety and Dance Music.
2.15 p.m. Close Down.
4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7 p.m. London-Address by His Majesty King Edward VIII.
7.17 p.m. Four Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

Drink to me only with thine eyes (Johnson); Candle Light (Cadenat); Music of the night (Black); A Song remembered (R. Barrie).

7.30 p.m. Hongkong Exchange Market Report.
7.33 p.m. From the Studio. A Recital by Eileen Fitzgerald (Violin) and Lillian Quinn (Soprano).

1. Songs—Prelude (Landon Ronald); Nightfall at sea (Phillips); Fairy Tales of Ireland (Costes); 2. Violin—Horncipe (German); Intermezzo (Tosca); 3. Songs—June Rapture (Lehmann); The Winds are calling (Ronald); 4. Violin—Mornes Dance (German); Rustle Dance (German); Jig (German).

8 p.m. Time, Weather, and Announcements.
8.03 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Vocal Duets—Accent on Youth, By the wishing well... Curtis and Ames; Hawaiian—Sundown in old Waikiki; Humorous—If you pretend you're blue... Murgatroyd and Winterbottom; Cuckoo's Solo—Serenade... "La Argentina"; Organ Solo—An Autumn Serenade... Reginald Foot; Song—Slumberland... Les Allen (Baritone); Piano Solos—"Helen"—Selection... Billy Mayerl; Song—A pretty girl is like a melody.

Francis Day (Soprano); Orchestra—Rumba Medley; Songs—The Very Thought of You; A place in your heart... Sam Orlow; Orchestra—Six Hit Medley (No. 1); Vocal—Gertrude Lawrence Medley... Gertrude Lawrence (Soprano); Piano Solos—Dream Awake!; Keep a twinkle in your eye... Gerry Moore; Song—Sing Gladly Sing... Anona Winn; Vocal—Yodeling Hobo... The Hill Billies.

9 p.m. Song Memories.
"Drury Lane Pantomime Memories"; "Sea Shanties"; "Sir Harry Lauder Songs".

9.25 p.m. London-News and Announcements.
9.45 p.m. Russian Melodies.

1. The Gato; 2. Festival Dance; 1. Russian Polka; 2. Caucasus March; 1. Prelude Slav; 2. From Sunrise to sunset; 3. Beautiful Moon; 4. Along Petrograd Road; 5. Bake no bread.

10 p.m. London Big Ben.
A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill-Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

12 midnight. Close Down.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

Relay of Service From St. John's Cathedral

A LIGHT CONCERT

9.10 a.m. A relay of the Military Parade Service from St. John's Cathedral.

10 a.m. Close Down.

11 a.m. A relay for the morning service from St. John's Cathedral.

12.15 p.m. European programme of recorded music.

The Orchestra Symphonique de Paris.

Norwegian Rhapsody (Lalo); Marche Herolique (Saint-Saens); Muette et Tambourin (Rameau); Menuet (Boccherini).

12.38 p.m. Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Pablo Casals (Violoncello).

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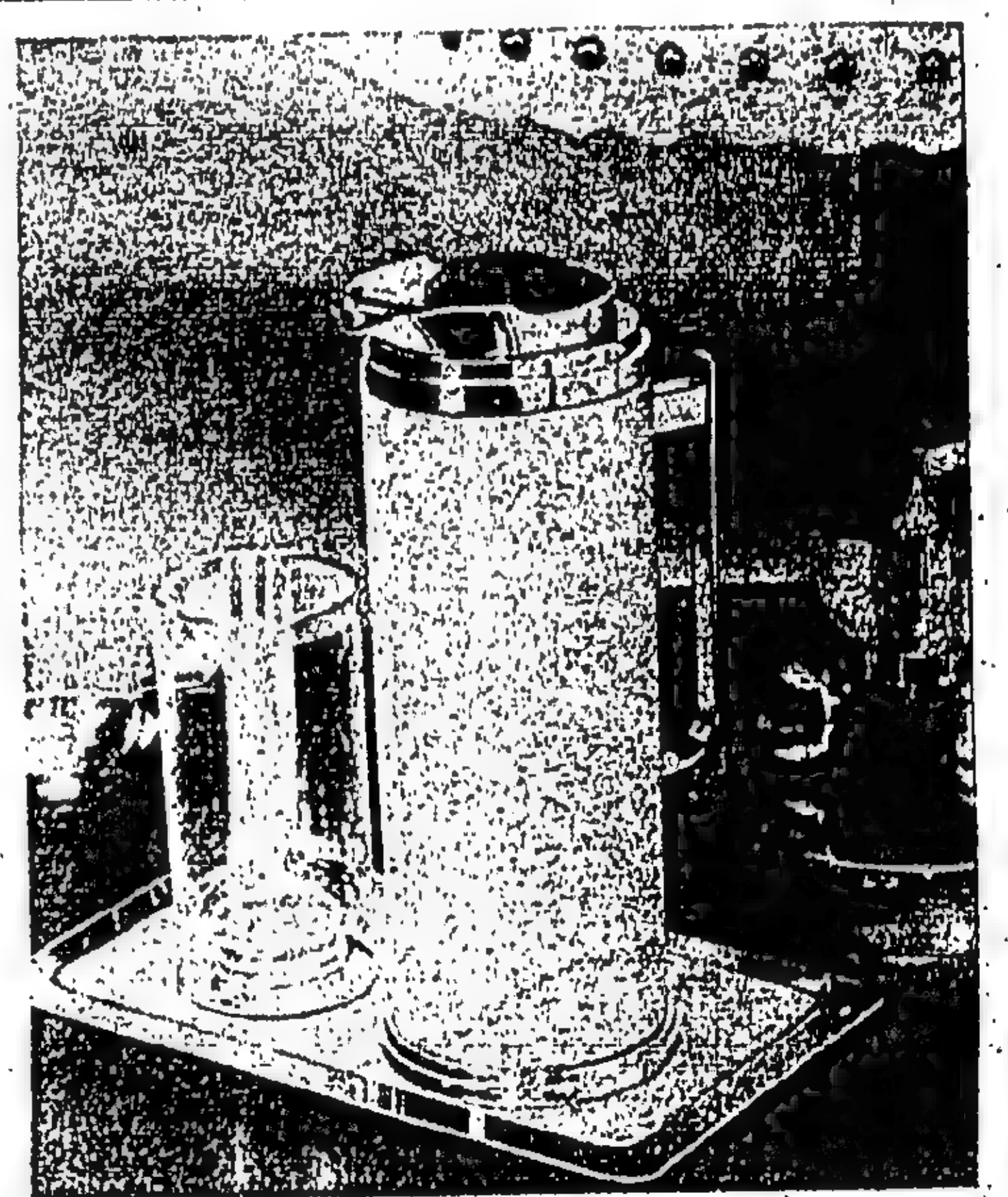
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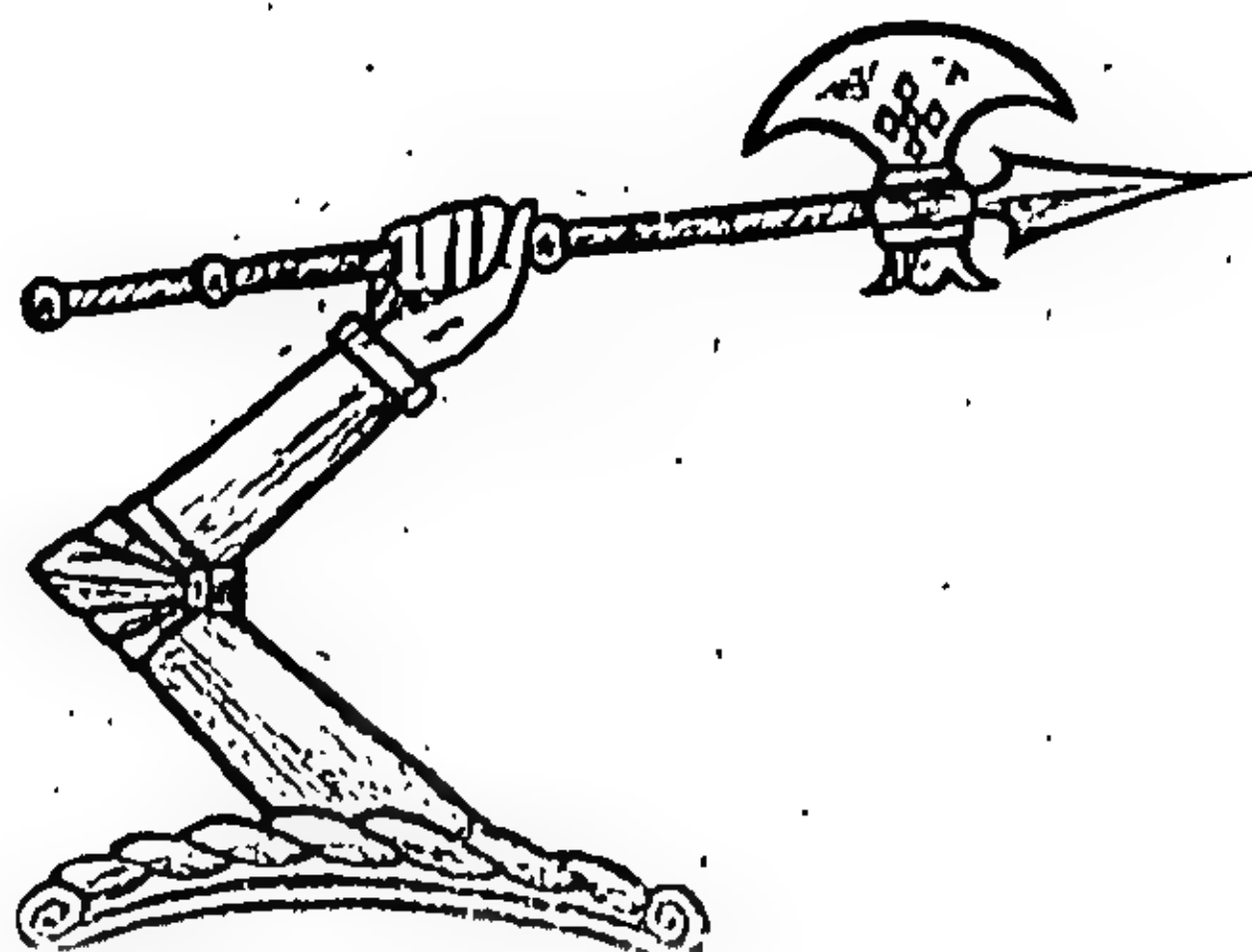
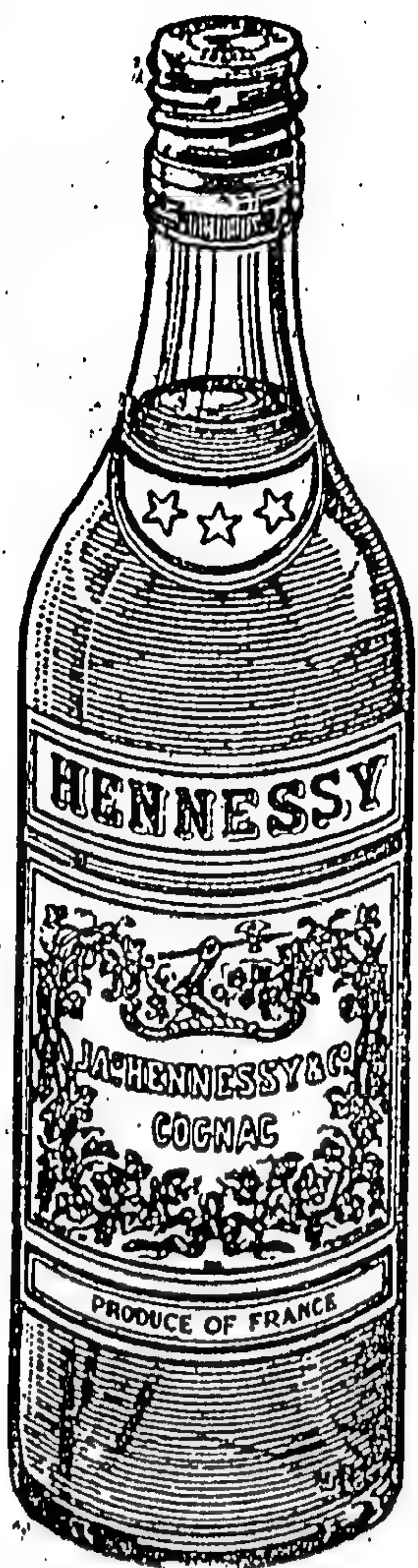
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CINEMA NOTES

The remarkable dancing of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, which carried them to the top of screen popularity in their previous vehicles, reaches a new peak in their latest co-starring film for RKO Radio, "Swing Time," now at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Three notable dances by the two wing-footed celebrities and two solos by Astaire, one of them a sensational black-face number, comprise the terpsichorean highlights of the tuncful offering, for which Jerome Kern and Dorothy Fields wrote the music and lyrics. "The Waltz in Swing Time," hailed as the latest ballroom rage and the first real innovation in dancing since its inception, is the outstanding dance performed by the two stars in the picture. This unusual step is danced at 4/4 time against the customary accompaniment of 3/4 time waltz music and, as its name implies, is a "hot" number. In simplified form it can be easily mastered by the average dancer, Astaire says, and these modified versions are already springing into popularity. The two other dances displayed by the Astaire-Rogers duo in the picture are the "Pick Yourself Up" number, a fast fox-trot routine performed in the dancing academy sequence, and "Never Gonna Dance," a romantic duet in which the two dance, their forewell to each other. Astaire's first solo is the opening dance of the film, a brief routine with Victor Moore and six boys on the stage of a vaudeville theatre. His second solo, however, "Doan's of Harlem" is rated as one of the most sensational numbers of his career, in which, wearing black-face, he performs an amazing hand-and-foot tap routine with twenty-four dancing girls and follows this with a silhouette number in which his shadow and those of his chorus are photographed through a screen. This number, set in the unique background of a skyscraper-top night club built of mirrors and chromium around a huge floor window, is said to set a new "high" in spectacular film entertainment. John Harkrider, of "The Great Ziegfeld" fame, designed the unusual setting. Victor Moore, Helen Broderick, Eric Blore, Betty Furness and Georges Metaxa head the supporting cast of "Swing Time." George Stevens directed the Pandro S. Berman production.

"Romeo and Juliet" showing to-day at the King's Theatre, new heights in cinema artistry have been achieved in the pietization of Shakespeare's immortal love story. It is one of the most important contributions to the screen since the inception of talking pictures—a glorious triumph for Producer Irving G. Thalberg, Director George Cukor, the starring combination of Norma Shearer and Leslie Howard, and all others concerned in the making of the picture. The universal appeal of its tragic romance and the unusual marquee strength of its cast are assurances that the picture will interest maximum patronage and from the standpoint of eliciting the attention and support of constructively influential public elements and raising the screen in everybody's esteem, it will prove one of the most effective releases in years. Miss Shearer rises to the new stature and importance through the qualities she brings to the role of Juliet. Howard's reading of the famous lines in his Romeo role is inspiring. In addition to the splendid work of these two stars, the picture is loaded with outstanding performances, particularly the work of John Barrymore, Edna May Oliver, and Andy Devine in the lighter moments. Cukor's direction is most praised, worthy for his guidance of the tender love scenes, and highlights of the picture include Mercutio's death scene, Romeo's first meeting with Juliet, their balcony scene, their marriage and the night before their doom.

"Parisienne Life" The spirit of Paris, city of romantic dreams and gaiety, is brought to the screen in "Parisienne Life," which is showing at the Theatre today. Produced by Nero Films, a French company, and adapted from "La Vie Parisienne," one of Offenbach's gayest and best operettas, "Parisienne Life" is a delightful cocktail of fun and enchanting music.

Rapid direction and effervescent acting keep the fun moving at an exhilarating rate. The music and dancing, including, of course, the famous "Can-Can," are quite out of the ordinary and prove a pleasing relief from the cacophony of jazz and rhythmic tappings. The acting honours are shared by Conchita Montenegro, Neil Hamilton, and Max Dearly, the well known French comedian. Excellent support is given by Carol Goodner, Eva Moore and Austin Trevor.

"San Francisco" "San Francisco," which comes on Sunday to the Majestic Theatre, is one of the most talked-about pictures in many, many months. It teams three of the most popular screen stars for the first time—Clark Gable, Jeanette MacDonald, and Spencer Tracy. It is a picture brimming with romance, love, comedy, beautiful music and excitement. Clark Gable offers one of his greatest characterizations as Blackie Nor-ton, owner of the most popular resort on the Coast. Jeanette MacDonald is superb as the country girl who starts her singing career on the Barbary Coast and rises to great operatic heights, only to return to the Coast because of the man she loves. Spencer Tracy scores in an unusual role as a kindly priest who chooses the wicked street for his evangelistic work. In the excellent supporting cast are Jack Holt, Jessie Ralph, Ted Healy, Shirley Ross, Margaret Irving, Harold Huber and Al Shean.

Both Were Wrong

Paris, Dec. 1. LOUISETTE LEFEVRE, temperamental Parisian blonde, quarrelled with her lover, closed her eyes and fired three shots at him.

Then she gave herself up to the police for murder.

But the "body," neighbours told the crime squad, had gone away whistling. Louissette was fined half a crown.

M. Delx, Angoulême student, thought he had lost his watch on the banks of the river and went to look for it.

This morning he was found drowned after slipping in.

The watch was found in his bedroom at home.

£500 A Month Pilot Tells His Story

Comparison Of Junta
And Red Strength

Paris, Dec. 1. One of the 30 French volunteer airmen in the service of the Spanish Government at 50,000 francs (£500) a month told *Paris-Midi* to-day (he is on leave in France) that there were also English, German, and two Russian pilots in the "Spanish Squadron," with the French writer, Andre Malraux, at their head.

The airmen in this squadron, it was stated, went up at least twice a day, and their aeroplanes went up four times a day to face what had been until quite recently the much stronger air force of the Junta.

The Junta air force, said the airman, was equipped with Savoia-Marchetti bombers, Fiat fighters, Heinkel and Junker bombers, and Arado fighters. At the very beginning, he said, the Junta had scarcely any aeroplanes, and almost all they had had been imported since the war started. The well-known German airman, Fieseler, was in command of the Arados of the Junta.

The informant said that he believed that there were Frenchmen and Englishmen in the Junta air force as well as Germans and Italians. Two Italian crews had been captured.

GOVERNMENT PLANES

The Government air force had hitherto included a dozen Dewoitine fighters (normally sent from Lithuania), a Bloch 210, five Potez 44, a prehistoric Spad, an American Boeing fighter, a Hispano Fury, and an Air Speed, as well as a certain number of aeroplanes manufactured in Spain under licence from the French models Breguet 10 and Nieuport 62.

The whole fleet of the squadron was about 60 planes, and the airman emphatically denied that large numbers of modern planes had been reaching Spain from France since the non-intervention declaration was made.

It may be recalled that a dozen Dewoitine and the Potezes arrived in Spain (London as reported in the papers just before the French Government made their declaration).

A number of very ancient and useless machines had reached Madrid by devious ways and had been thrown into the back of the hangars whence they had never been taken out.

SOVIET PILOTS, SOVIET MACHINES

The Soviet Union had now sent a considerable number of bombers and fighters capable of 400 kilometres an hour, but would only allow them to be flown by Soviet pilots.

The Government aviators had used bombs of 12 and 18 kilograms, but the Junta had used much more powerful bombs, one of which had destroyed some of the Dewoitines.

Ten days ago when the airman left Spain for his holiday neither side had used gas bombs, he said. On neither side was there much aerial reconnoitring. The aeroplanes were used almost entirely for fighting or bombing.

Otto "King of Hungary": Rome Rumours

Rome, Dec. 1. It is persistently rumoured in Rome that the engagement of Princess Maria, of Italy to Archduke Otto of Habsburg will be announced soon. Princess Maria, the youngest daughter of the King of Italy, is 21. The Archduke Otto is 23.

It is understood that this subject will be discussed at the Vienna Conference between Italy, Austria and Hungary, which opens on Wednesday.

According to rumour, the marriage would be followed by the restoration of the Archduke Otto as King of Hungary, not as King of Austria.

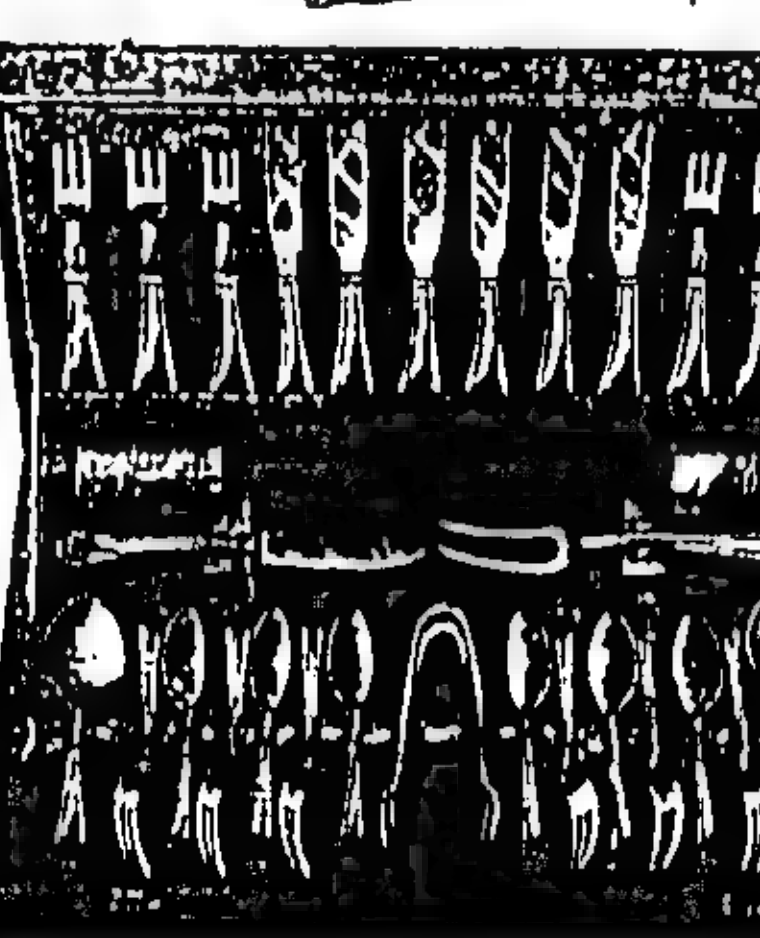
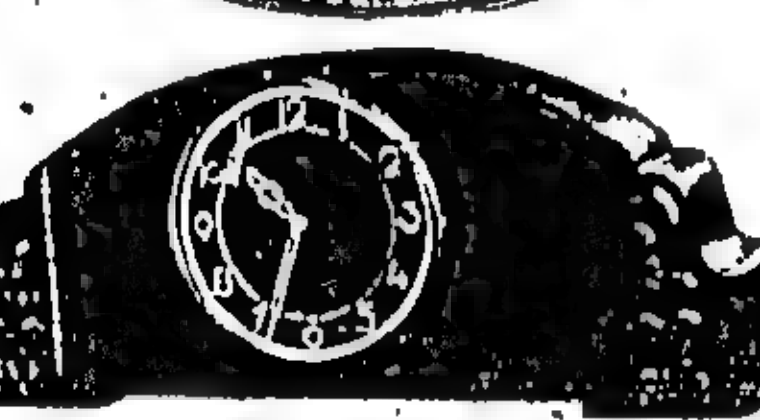
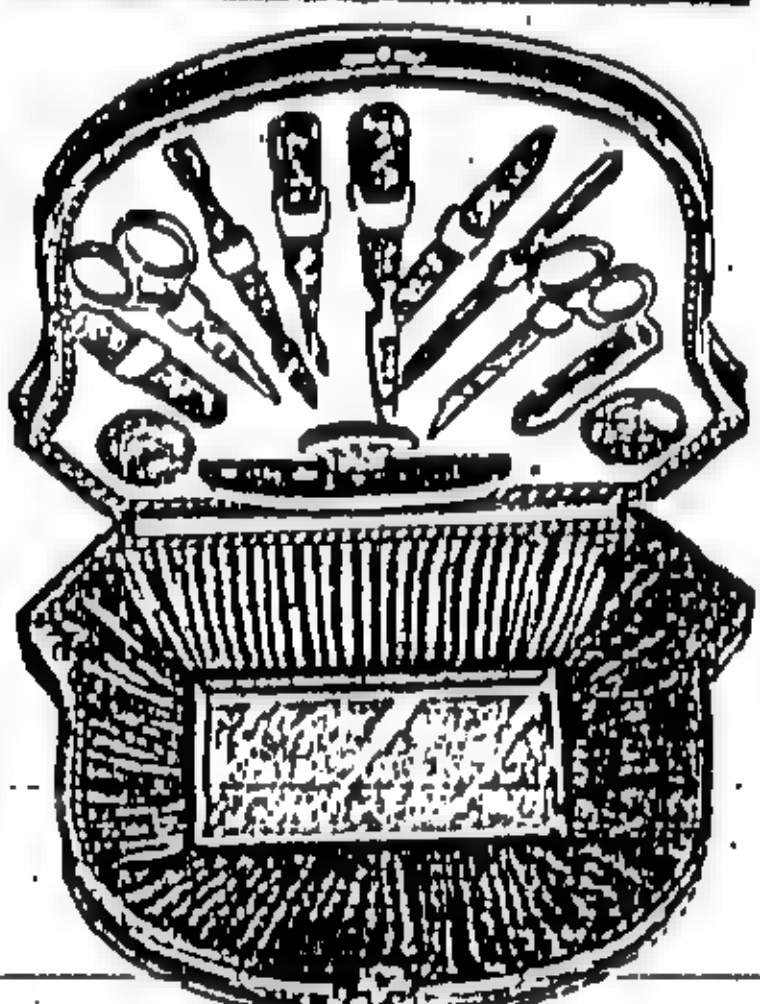
Much curiosity was aroused by Signor Mussolini's statement at Milan, which he said there would soon be a "striking opportunity for Italy to show her friendship with Hungary."



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OF all the novelists who are busily sacking cities and civilisations for their plots, M. Romains is at once the most sensitive and the most unflinching. For this volume contains Books Nine and Ten of what will be the world's longest novel, *Men of Good Will*.

Already the work runs (or, rather, marches) to nearly three thousand pages. And the end, I gather, is not yet in sight. Setting out to give us a panorama of Paris during the past 25 years, the author has reached 1911, when Agadir was a highly-critical place-name, when ministries were tumbling, workers massing for strike action and armies and armaments piling up in preparation for the inevitable and hideous "day."

There are scores of characters, living, moving and having their being in a dozen worlds, from the hectic air of the tribune of the Chamber of Deputies (where we meet and overhear Briand, Delcassé, Tardieu, Jaurès and others) to the crowded alleys of the capital and the boulevards of frilled and fashionable women.

And, from it all, miraculously, rises a significant picture of a people fulfilling their destiny. "Certain things," as M. Romains warned us in his first volume three years ago, "do not lead anywhere. There are men and women, endeavours and hopes which are 'never heard of again.'"

But they are definitely worth watching on their way. Well, here is the latest instalment of this record achievement. And, to celebrate the occasion, the publishers are offering the complete set of the eight earlier books, which originally cost seven-and-sixpence apiece, for twenty-eight shillings plus postage. A chance to add to your library a novel that, in my view at any rate, is sure of a place on the shelves of trencherous time.

we are in a strange land called Mideuria, with the most complicated politics, and the hero has the unenviable name of Fieka, and things happen that don't normally disturb the stream of existence in, say, Baltham or Birmingham, you will find yourself believing in everybody and everything.

FAR FOREST.

By Francis Brett Young.
(Heinemann, 8s. 6d.)

"JENNY HADLEY was born and reared—or dragged up, as they say in those parts—at Mawne Heath, on the Staffordshire side of the River Stour, which at this point divides it from Worcestershire: a health only by courtesy, and a blasted health at that if ever there was one."

So opens this twenty-fifth novel by Francis Brett Young. You have a sigh of contentment, settle back in your chair and prepare to enjoy what is coming. Nothing terribly exciting or extraordinarily new. Good, sound, honest, novel-fare. A pleasant ride through the familiar countryside that is, for the time being, Brett Youngland.

And at the end you have a last, grateful sigh. Five hundred and fifty-three pages. There might have been more, there might even have been less. But they had to end sometime. And no one would deny that the standard of quality is maintained.

There have been births and deaths and marriages and mishaps and misunderstandings and reunions. There has been plenty of excellently worked-in local colour. From farming to chain-smoking, the author's range is wide and his touch sure.

Everyone of his faithful readers will attest that he has done the right thing by them once again.

R. P.



"The Street Markets of London," by Mary Benedetta (soon to be published by John Miles), contains many fine photographs by L. Moholy-Nagy. The above illustration is of the street market in Hammerstein.

DREAMS and Realities

A PRAYER FOR MY SON.

By Hugh Walpole.
(Macmillan, 7s. 6d.)

MR. WALPOLE, spinning stories out of the pearly clouds that float over the Lakeland hills and tarns, has seen an ugly, black, menacing cloud floating over humanity.

He gives the cloud a name—it is the despotism of the megalomaniacs in Italy and Germany whose ruthlessness may, he feels, lead to gigantic destruction in the world. A serious theme for a novelist of his reputation, but he has handled it skilfully.

He tries to show—and he succeeds, I think—that such despotism is bound to come crashing down in a welter of human suffering and misery.

Taking an egotistical colonel living in a large house by Lake Derwent-water as his example of what megalomania running riot unchecked can lead to, he lets this old man play fast and loose with the lives of the members of his household, especially a twelve-year-old grandson.

This shy, nervous boy is to be brought up on the Nazi model so that he may one day rise up and lay the iron heel on his fellow men and cry: "Do as I say!"

Dreaming dreams of greatness that he himself cannot attain, the frustrated colonel wields his power over the lad.

The story tells how the boy's mother attempts to rescue her son. Exciting, with a tinge of terror in it, it reveals Mr. Walpole's horror of dictators and their regimes.

RECOIL.
By J. L. Hardy.
(Collins, 7s. 6d.)

HERE is a thriller whose bag of tricks holds the usual paraphernalia of the Secret Service shocker. And yet—

The Beautiful Woman, the Noble Police Agent, the night-clubs, the mysterious hide-outs, the aristocratic villains known only by numbers, the stalwart dictator, murder at midnight and at midday, microphones in prison cells, attempted assassination by hypnosis plus prussic acid and a happy ending for the B.W. and the N.P.A. . . .

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PETTY RESTRICTIONS TO BE REMOVED

Soldiers in the British Army are to have more freedom when they are not on duty.

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The new orders being circulated to commands provide that:—

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Soldiers when not detailed for any particular duty may quit barracks without a pass at the end of each day's duty and remain out until 1 a.m.

The desirability of an increase in the privileges accorded to well-conducted soldiers has been under consideration by the Army Council following the success of the scheme to grant "walking out" facilities in civilian dress to men of established character.

In the opinion of the Council, says the War Office, the high standard of general behaviour of the troops in recent years is considered to be such as to merit recognition. In their view an increase of privileges to the soldier is seldom, if ever, abused in a well-behaved and well-administered unit.

"It has sometimes in the past been the case that petty restrictions have existed for the continuance of which there should be no justification today with the average well-conducted soldier," it is stated.

"The Council are averse from restricting the discretion of commanding officer in the maintenance of discipline, but they consider that unit standing orders should be the subject of periodical review in the light of altered circumstances, such as, for example, may occur when a unit changes station."



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(By "Veritas")

EIGHTEEN matches — nine Shield and nine league — constitute the week-end football programme in Hongkong, promising entertainment well above the average. The four Senior Shield ties bring together some of the cream of Colony soccer, and enthusiasts may well hesitate before deciding which of the matches they will watch.

This afternoon Club oppose South China "B", the only unbeaten team in the first division, and in 1934-35 season winners of the Senior Shield. This seems to be the most important encounter of the day, although no little interest will be evinced in the clash between St. Joseph's and Club de Recreo, two old foes, who have been inter-changing players for years.

Club are good cup fighters and because of this, and the curious effect they seem to have on the Caroline Hill teams, I am quite expecting to see them win. Anything may happen in the other game, though the odds seem to be slightly in favour of St. Joseph's, especially as they are at "home".

ALL-ABSORBING TIE

On Sunday the all-absorbing tie is that between South China "A", holders of the Shield, and Royal Ulster Rifles, who are still making a determined bid to remain as one of the three best teams in the Colony. When these teams met before this season it was South China's first match after returning from Europe. The outcome was a brilliant display of football, a magnificent recovery by the Rifles and a fitting draw.

Since then, at least in league matches, Rifles have revealed signs of deterioration, and have not only lost matches, but have experienced difficulty in winning what on paper appeared to be simple points. One therefore cannot approach a forecast

of this match in quite the same manner as one did two months ago. South China must be regarded as the likely winners, though one does not ignore the very definite possibilities of the Rifles regaining their top form, in which case the result may easily go the other way.

The other Senior Shield match is between Fusiliers, who are going strong in the league, and Police, who are not going so strong. Apparently up at Police headquarters they don't think much of my forecasting of Police matches, because yesterday I was told that if I tipped them to lose to-morrow, they may win! But there need be no fear. My tip, any way goes to the Fusiliers, simply on form. They have indicated quite sufficiently that they are a better team than the Police and I think it only requires them to play a normal game to win.

JUNIOR MATCHES

There are five Junior Shield engagements, and according to the book of form Royal Engineers, Navy, Eastern, Ulster Rifles and South China should pass into the next round. The only doubtful ones appear to be Navy, who have to play R.A.S.C., and South China who are against Kowloon Chinese.

The league fixtures make very uninteresting reading by comparison. In the first division to-day East Lancashires oppose Navy and Kowloon Chinese engage Kowloon. On Sunday there is only one senior division match—Eastern v. Athletic, a draw being indicated. Kowloon Chinese and Navy will probably win to-day's games.

AMERICAN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The second American tennis tournament of the winter season is being staged at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday week, December 20.

Play will start at 2.30 p.m. sharp, and intending competitors may either enter as pairs or individually. The entrance fee is \$1.50 per couple, and it is hoped that there will be a good entry for this event.

Special "Veritas" Forecast TO-DAY

Senior Shield
To Win:—Club and St. Joseph's

Junior Shield
To Win:—R. Engineers, Navy League, Div. 1

Division 2
To Win:—Fusiliers and R.A. (S.)

Division 3
To Win:—Liga, Kwong Wah and East Lincs.

SUNDAY
Senior Shield
To Win:—South China "A" and Fusiliers

Junior Shield
To Win:—Eastern, Ulster Rifles, South China

League, Div. 1
To Win:—Kowloon Chinese To Draw:—Eastern

Division 3
To Draw:—Royal Air Force.

EAST LANCS' TEAMS

TWO VERY SOUND COMBINATIONS

East Lancashires are turning out a useful side to play Navy in the League to-day, with Green leading the attack.

Here is the team: Williams; Swain and Steele; Power, Crowthers and Eckersley; O'Donnell, Sandford, Green, Smith and Tuley. The third division team is meeting the R.A.O.C. in a league game. Originally the Ordnance Corps were to have played Royal Artillery (Lyemun) in the Junior Shield, but the Gunners have had to call off the match owing to duty.

East Lincs. will be represented by: Butterworth; Roberts and Johnson; Barrett, Francis and Hands; Grabbon, Evans, Connolly, Mulvey and Lawless.

BERNIE GOSANO RETURNS

Playing For Recreo

Bernie Gosano, who has not touched a football this season owing to a damaged leg, comes into the Recreo side to oppose St. Joseph's in the Senior Shield to-day.

Bernie will lead the attack and his presence should do much to restore this goal-scoring machine into something like old-time form.

I am told that Gosano is completely fit after his long rest from the game, and Recreo are hoping that he will play a prominent part towards victory.

On paper, at least, Recreo appear to have their strongest team possible on display, the eleven being:

R. Marques; A. V. Gosano and J. L. Alves; G. Fernandez, N. Beltrao and J. Marques; C. Marques, H. Campos, B. Gosano, J. Gomes and A. Alves. St. Joseph's are relying on the same team which pulled them through the first round against Eastern, and a first-rate match is assured.

Bickford Still In Hospital

Though still without Bickford, who languishes in hospital, Club are turning out a good looking team for South China "B" to contest this afternoon.

The defence remains unimpaired, with Hynes continuing at right half and Forrow restored to his one and only position—centre-half. Ernest Strange flanks him on the left.

Alice Pearce is forsaking cricket for another week, but it is not yet certain whether he will fill Bickford's position or be put on the right wing, with Fowler operating on the left. The inside trio is Fleming, Elliott and Wilson, and if the eleven plays pukka football as it can, a win is certainly on the cards.

NAVY LOSE GARDNER

TRANSFERRED TO H.M.S. MOTH

Navy have been forced to make a last-minute change from the team originally chosen to meet East Lancashire in the league to-day.

Gardner, who was expected to return Home next week, has, after all, been transferred to the Moth and has gone up river.

The left half's position will be filled by Nicholson of the Dorsetshire, while there is an alteration from last week's team in the forward line. MacDonald is playing at inside right.

The team therefore will be as follows:—Telfer and Wolverson, Laister, Bowyer and Nicholson; Le Page, MacDonald, Cannell, Wride and Tippetts.

The second eleven to play R.A.S.C. in the Junior Shield has been chosen as follows:—Hayman; Barry and Hopkins; Currock, Tudor and Love; Stone, Wolf, Smith, Spencer and Johnson.

CHINA FLEET LEAGUE

TAMAR QUALIFY FOR FINAL

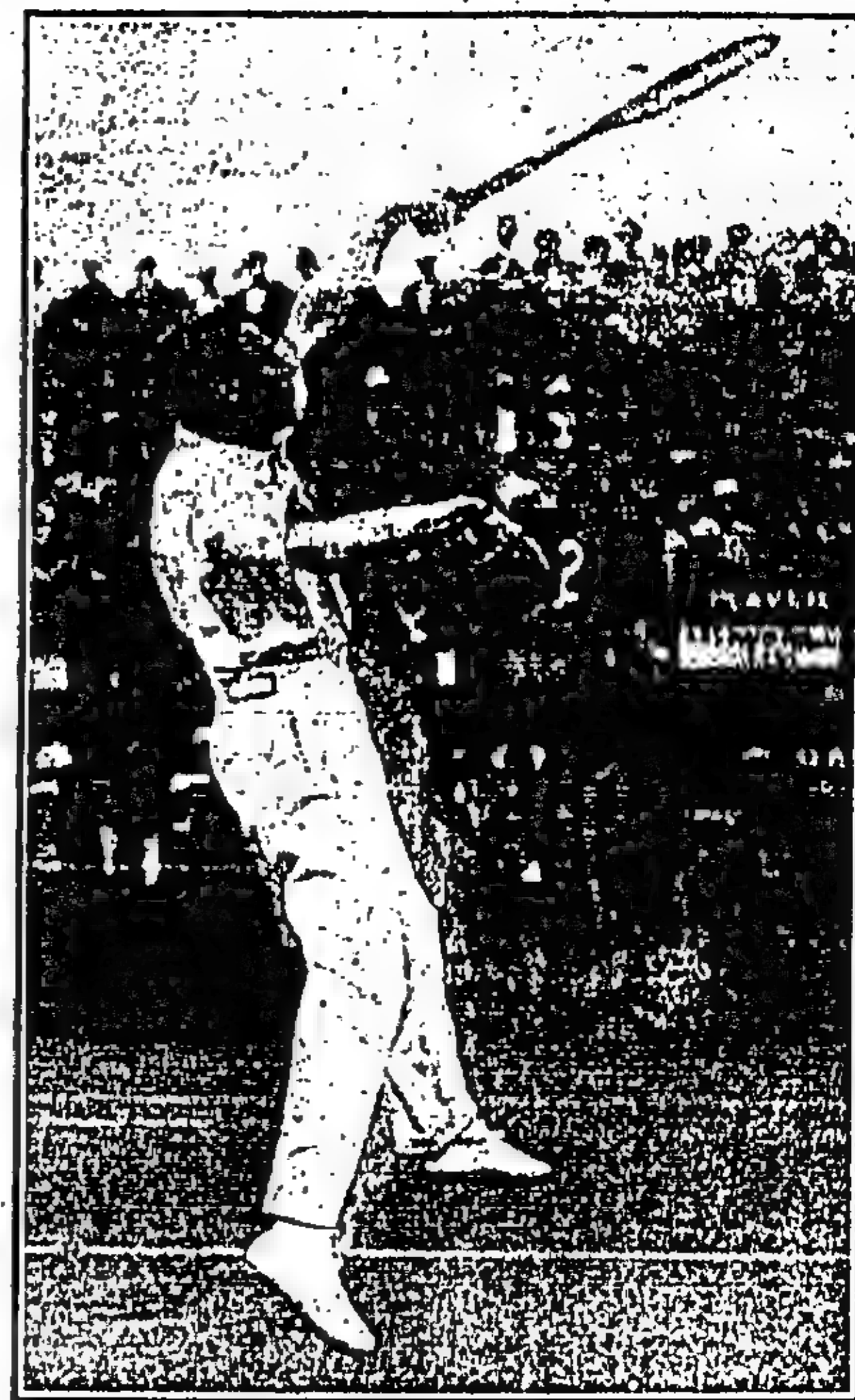
H.M.S. Tamar have won the Small Ships' section of the China Fleet Football League and have thereby qualified for the division final to decide the championship.

During this week they played their last match beating H.M.S. Sandwich by two goals to nil after a rousing game.

There was no score at the interval, but afterwards Tamar exerted such persistent pressure that Spencer and Wride netted.

Sandwich were on the defensive for three parts of the game, and brilliant work was accomplished for them by Muggleton and Love. But Tamar were worthy winners and they are now favourites for the championship.

It is expected they will have H.M.S. Duncan as opponents in the final. Duncan have to play the Herald and if they win this match they will finish top of their section.



His Majesty King George VI, England's new monarch, is a keen and accomplished tennis player, and in this picture is seen playing before a large gallery at Wimbledon a few years ago.

Cricket Notes

By R. Abbit

THE SECOND DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP PUZZLE

WHO IS LIKELY TO WIN?

The only League match played on Saturday last was a rather disappointing affair. I am beginning to think that the bowling of both the Army B and the K.C.C. too are on the weak side though in a general way their batting is pretty strong. Baxter does not seem to be meeting with a great deal of success, and I cannot help thinking, as I have said before, that in Second League cricket he will probably be disappointing.

I am referring particularly to his bowling but though he has made some excellent scores I think he would do better in the future if he got up against some good trundling. I do not mean that there is no useful bowling in the Second Division because I have been rather surprised to find what a lot of fellows can bowl straight and keep a length but they have little resource

and once a batsman settles down or knocks them about a bit they go to pieces too easily. Dunne bowled well for Kowloon and Sargent got three wickets but he is apt to be terribly expensive in Saturday afternoon cricket as if he does not get you you get him, frequently.

I must confess that I have no idea who are most likely to pull off the Second Division championship, still feel in a way that the I.R.C. ought to do it though up to date they have not been very convincing owing to their complete collapse against K.C.C. I do not think that K.C.C. will finish enough matches to win and this also applies to Army B.

NON-LEAGUE GAMES

In the First Division there was an excellent game between the Navy and the Club and the Club won partly owing to some very excellent batting but also to a very good declaration by the Navy as each side only lost four wickets. Phillimore again came off making 69 and Cochrane all length got going with 46. For the Club Alec Pearce got 76 not out and Baines 37. I was (Continued on Page 17.)

NAVY OUT OF LUCK

Civilians Win

NARROWLY

(By "The Pilgrim")

A well-contested match was seen in the Inter-Section Hockey Tournament yesterday when, on Marina ground, the Civilians, represented by Argonauts, defeated the Navy by three goals to one.

The exchanges at the start were played at a very hot pace, with Argonauts having most of the play, until a neat breakaway by Lieut. Crews saw the Argonauts defence crack, the inside right scoring very unexpectedly.

However, the advantage was short-lived, Nolisco from the right wing sending in a fine drive which Oorio deflected with a first-time effort, thus putting the teams on level terms. A ding-dong struggle followed until the interval.

Navy were first to press in the second half and for a quarter of an hour had the Civilians strictly on the defensive. It needed the quick and clever interceptive and spilling work of the Civilians rearguard to keep the Navy from scoring many goals. Spectacular moves by Crews, Wright and Wraith were the feature of this period of the game.

Nevertheless the goals went to the Civilians. In a fast breakaway B. Gosano tested the Navy goalkeeper who, instead of clearing the ball, fell on it thereby conceding a penalty corner. This resulted in B. Gosano scoring. Obviously disheartened by the reverse, the Navy fell back again on defence, but this did not stop Gosano from getting well clear of the opposition and to beat Braddock with a well placed drive.

The closing minutes of the game saw the Navy making desperate attempts to equalise but to no avail. Nevertheless, a draw would have been a fairer result.

For the Navy Lieut. Crews, Lieut. Wright, Lieut. Wraith, Lieut. Donald and A. B. Morgan performed with great credit, while the Civilians were best served by Nolisco, B. Gosano, Oliveira, Alves, Xavier and Souza.

The Civilians have now drawn with the Army and beat the Navy.

UNITED SERVICES V. CIVILIANS

Annual Match To Be Played To-Morrow

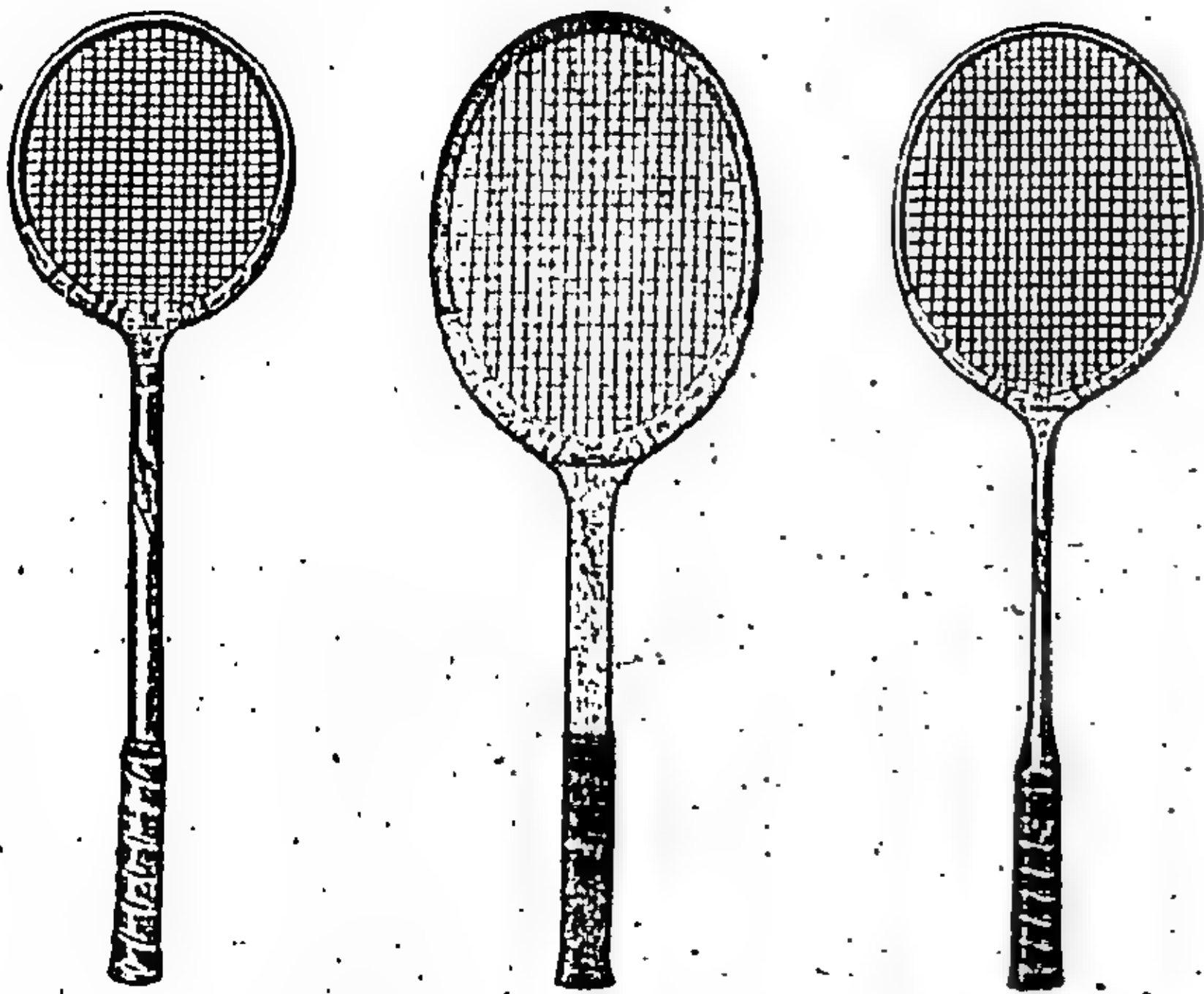
The annual hockey match between the Civilians and United Services will be played to-morrow (Sunday) on the Navy Ground, King's Park, at 10.15 a.m. sharp. These teams played to a goalless draw last season, and a splendid game is expected to-morrow.

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(1) Have I fully appreciated the nature of the Memorial, which is that the thank-offerings of those who prospered under the late reign will be devoted to the recreation of poor people in crowded areas; so that Hongkong's monument to King George will not be a lifeless statue of him but a living and permanent realisation of his desire for the health and happiness of his poorest subjects?

(2) Are the ninety thousand dollars that have already been raised the most that Hongkong can do?

(3) If not, can I add to the amount, even though my contribution be small?

(4) Or, having already given, can I give more?

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Truth About the Pope's Health

HIS REMARKABLE VIGOUR

By H. W. SEAMAN

Rome, Dec. 8.

To-day the Pope received 400 French ex-officers, blessed a group of Italian honeymoon couples, and then granted a general audience.

In spite of alarming rumours about his health, His Holiness, now in his 80th year, continues to display remarkable fortitude.

It is true that he is usually carried into the chamber when audiences are granted and that he rarely walks; but he is relentless in carrying out his duties.

He works harder and sleeps less than many younger men, but recently he has made important changes in his regime, reducing the number of his public appearances and giving fewer audiences.

SURPRISES EVERYONE

This week the Vatican authorities have instructed the police to be ready to close all the gates, excluding visitors and allowing no one to leave. But not until the order is actually carried out will there be cause for anxiety.

It has long been known that the Pope is feeling the weight of years, but there is no confirmation of the report that he has dropsy and arteriosclerosis.

This remarkable man, who was once a noted mountain-climber, surprises everybody around him by his frequent bursts of energy. For the 15 years of his spiritual reign he has worked almost unceasingly.

Within only a few years of his ascending the throne those who visited him noted a great change in his appearance. He seemed to have grown old suddenly.

They put this down to the confinement of his life, for at that time he was still "the prisoner of the Vatican."

BUSY STATESMAN

Later he broke from the tradition that made him a voluntary prisoner and became the first Pope since 1870 to leave the palace.

His coming out into the world seemed symbolic of his active interest in world affairs at a critical period of history, when millions of Roman Catholics were looking to him for leadership. He was no longer "the loneliest man in the world," but a busy statesman giving his attention to all the grave questions of the time and giving his people the benefit of his advice.

Rats Revisit Hamelin

Hamburg, Dec. 4

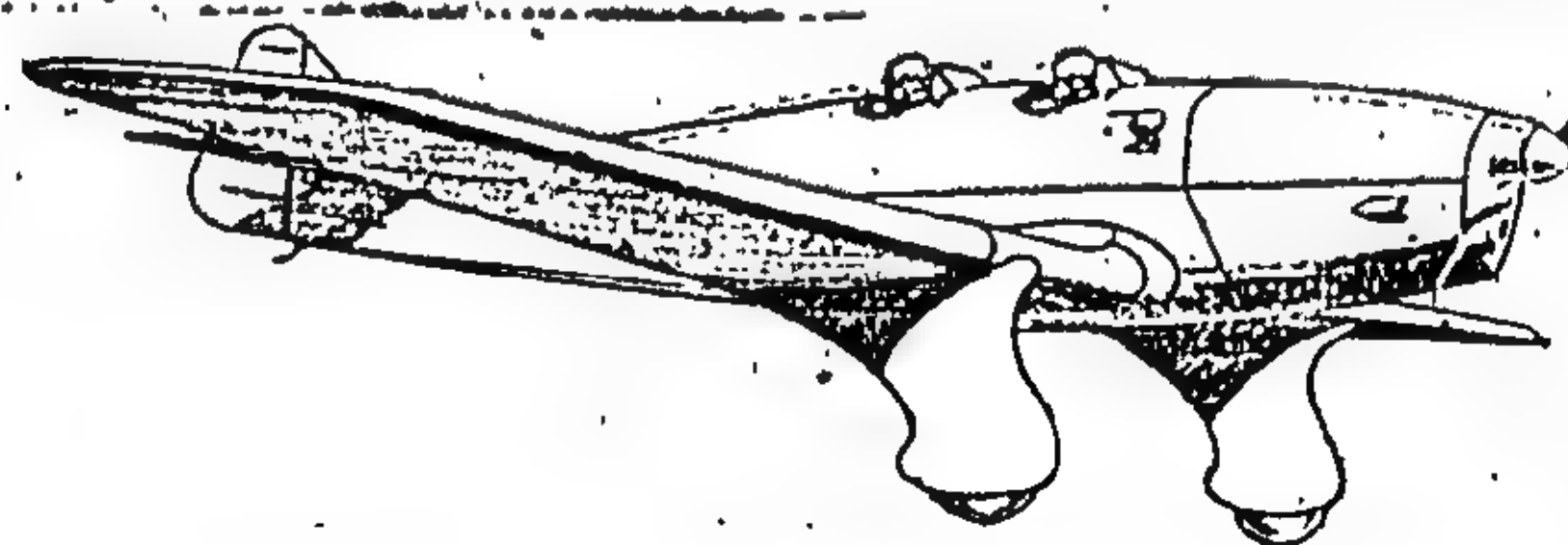
The citizens of Hamelin (Hamelin) are worried. A large number of rats, it is reported, are infesting the cellars of a group of old houses near the centre of the town and have already done considerable damage to the buildings. So far the situation is not sufficiently dangerous to warrant the extreme measures that were taken on another famous occasion.

FILM STAR AT 19

VALERIE HOBSON IN NEW FAIRBANKS PICTURE

Valerie Hobson, the 19-year-old English actress, has been given the leading feminine rôle opposite Douglas Fairbanks, Jun., in "For Ever and Ever." Marcel Hamelin is to produce the film at the Werton Hall studios, for Criterion Film Productions Ltd.

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In another Clerkenwell workshop three crowns are being made. After they have been worn during the Coronation ceremony for about three minutes they will be broken up. They are for Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy, Kings of Arms. Made of silver gilt, they will cost about £50 each.

500,000 SEATS
A survey of the route of the Coronation shows that there will be seats for just under 50,000 people. Standing room for which charge will be made will accommodate another 800,000, and a million and a quarter spectators are expected to line the streets. Sixty pounds a seat has already been paid for the best positions. Some private rooms have been let for £200.

It is estimated that £100,000,000 will be spent throughout Britain during the Coronation period. Industry expects to reap about a quarter of this from the sale of specially-manufactured articles.

GANGSTER ADMITS FIVE MURDERS

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New York, Dec. 1. Under the glare of floodlights at police headquarters to-day three New York gangsters boasted openly of their crimes and admitted several murders that should send them all to the electric chair.

The occasion was the "line-up," a daily event in which 200 of the city's detectives are the spectators at a parade across a brilliantly lighted stage of all the criminals arrested during the previous 24 hours.

One man, "Tough Tony," who is 30, calmly admitted that he had killed an elderly park-keeper last week. His two companions revealed that all they had earned for their part in the murder was £12 apiece.

SOVIET PALACE MAY SET NEW WORLD HEIGHT

Work Pushed On Base For
Largest And Tallest
Skyscraper

Moscow, Dec. 1. Day and night behind a high wooden fence near Kropotkin Square, within sight of the Kremlin, power shovels and complicated construction machinery grind on preparing foundations for the Palace of Soviets, designed to be the tallest as well as the largest building in the world. American construction specialists guide the work, new in Europe, of preparing all-important foundations for a skyscraper. Underground water and shifting sands were conquered by an American method of bituminization, by which asphalt is poured into tubes which extend from deeply drilled holes under the foundation, penetrating the earth.

More than a million cubic yards of earth has been excavated. ESCALATORS TO BE USED. With problems of the foundation solved, architects and engineers worked out the details of the building itself. Because of the huge number of persons to be served, one hall alone seating more than 10,000, escalators will replace elevators. The main hall will have a cupola of blue aluminium with huge square windows, from which light will stream on thousands of seats arranged in an amphitheatre and on the stage, where mass performances in which thousands may participate will take place.

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The "small hall," relative only in smallness, as it will seat approximately 8,000, or four times as many as Moscow's famous Bolshoi (big) Theatre, will follow out the principles of theatre construction. A huge statue of Lenin, 100 feet high, will crown the building. Constructed of non-rusting steel, the statue much of the time will be shrouded in the clouds.

Two hundred thousand tons of steel and 400,000 tons of concrete will be used in the construction. Total weight of the building will be 1,300,000 tons.

It is now estimated that between five and six years will be necessary to complete the palace.

A KING ON THE DOLE

Burrage is King, by descent and right, of all the Illawarras. His palace is only a "humpy" or scrub hut, it is true, and he has been living on the dole.

And in spite of the allegiance of all his black subjects in New South Wales, he is to be evicted. The Hurstville Council whose amenities he enjoys have decided that his "humpy" and those of his court are according to the health inspector, "holding back the progress of a beautiful district."

Burrage was out on a royal foraging expedition when he was informed. He immediately summoned his court chamberlain and made arrangements to go into exile. So far they haven't quite made up their minds where.

Locally, says *Austral News*, Burrage is known as Joe Anderson. He and his mother, who was queen until she died, have lived for many years in the districts.

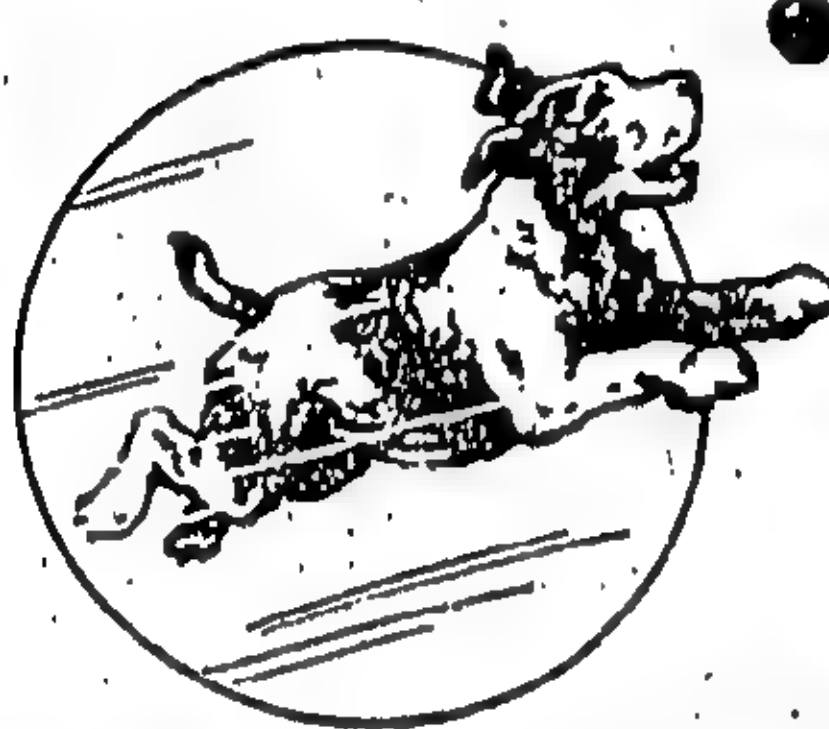
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CRICKET NOTES BY R. ABBIT

(Continued from Page 14.)

glad to see the latter had got runs as he always seems to me worth far more than he makes. The early Club bats seem to do all the work but I am not sure that for half-day cricket this is particularly good as their "tail seldom gets a knock. Owen Hughes seems out of form or out of luck and Hayward has little batting. He is however proving very useful behind the sticks and no doubt when he does finally straighten out that finger of his he will even be better. Incidentally I have just learned that he managed to crack a rib the other day but has been carrying on very nobly. Some of those bowlers will hit anything except the wicket. I name no names.

The Indian Recreation Club were not at full strength for their match against the Army but I believe that for some of them at all events the present month is one of fasting which naturally does not help them. They were out for 93 runs at Sookunpoo. I believe on the Army ground. Prichard got seven for 30. I seem to remember that in the old days the Indians were said to be like wiggly ones. The Army cricked up 100 for four, Daniels making 52.

The Civil Service took on R.A.M.C. and R.A.S.C. side at Happy Valley and won very easily. The opposition however was not very strong. The combined side made 108 which I understand was less than 75 were made by Pte. Gantzer. He is a new name to me. Colledge (66 not out) and Richardson (30) got most of the runs and Griffiths batted well for 28 not out. I am afraid that the Civil Service came down chiefly through being out-played in the First Division. Put them against anything a little under this form and they do well enough. It is unfortunate that Baker has not yet found his true form with the ball.

THE POLICE BEAT CRAIGENGOWER COMFORTABLY

As usual, it was a case of Pope and B. G. Baker getting practically all the wickets. I do not know where they would be without these two bowlers.

The Navy Second definitely got going as they ousted the Club Second, X for 53. Donald taking five wickets for six runs and afterwards making 55 out of the Royal Navy's score of 141 for 8 wickets. The Sappers at Sookunpoo beat the Indian Second, XI on their own ground by 45 runs but the home team, I understand, were not at full strength. A Baker who, I think, definitely should open their bowling, took five of the Sapper's wickets for only 18 runs.

Another result was the narrow failure of the Civil Service to get the 108 runs required to beat Recreio. They made 101 for seven wickets and so had a good chance of winning.

TO-DAY'S GAMES

I must say I think that the arrangement of the League fixtures provided that there are no more League games in December is a most excellent one. Apart from the horrible light everyone is pretty busy. But actually to-day there is a League game as the Army and Navy match has been so arranged. The original date was next year when the Navy will "I understand" be largely depleted, and it was felt better to play it early. Commander Boucher has returned, I am told, and if he plays it will make a tremendous

difference to the Navy side. I understand the game is at King's Park and it will be worth watching.

Beyond this I only know of two fixtures as the I.R.C. and Civil Service have double friendlies, the I.R.C. first eleven being at home. Kowloon (the first at home) have a similar double fixture with Craigengower Club.

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The defection of Perry undoubtedly means the loss of the Davis Cup for Britain. Austin is rapidly approaching the time when he can no longer give of his best and there is no one to replace Perry.

The Davis Cup next year will probably be fought for by Germany, America and Australia. The Americans, if Budge does not change his status, seem to have the best chance.

Donald Budge is, according to some of the shrewdest judges in the game, only a shade behind Perry.

VON CRAMM'S REGRETS

Baron von Cramm regrets Perry's joining the professional ranks. "This is a grave mistake," he says, "and an opportunity to beat Fred," said von Cramm. "Of course I can understand his step. He must think of his future; he could not remain world champion for ever."

"Beginning next month," said the German ace, "we shall begin our training so that we may win the Davis Cup for Germany next year." Jean Borotra said, "No one will blame Perry. Everyone will miss him at Wimbledon, but we must try and see his viewpoint. He has done his best for his country and kept the Davis Cup for Britain for four years."

"Jack Crawford," how that Perry has given up amateur tennis, thinks that Australia's chances of winning the Davis Cup are equal to America's and better than Germany's.

THE PENALTY CORNER IN HOCKEY

(By Harry E. Haslam)

The question of the penalty corner in hockey, as to the contention that the punishment does not fit the crime, is once more to the fore, and for the same old reason that very few goals are scored from it.

S. H. Saville, the former international inside-right, and now a member of the England Selection Committee, has, in the Hockey World, put forward a suggestion, rather than a definite opinion, that instead of the ordinary penalty corner a free-hit be taken at right angles to the centre of the goal, at a given distance, and if the player taking the free-hit does not score the game shall be restarted with a 25-yard line bully.

It is further suggested that all players, with the exception of the striker and the goalkeeper, shall be outside the circle and on the field of play when the free-hit is taken and that the existing penalty-bully rule be retained.

I have been asked for my own views and at once say that I consider the proposal far too drastic, as the penalty could be much more severe than that for a penalty bully, which is given for greater offences than those incurring a penalty or short corner.

Again, why should a goalkeeper be called upon to stand up as an Aunt Sally at the risk of serious injury? Incidentally, I may add that jumpers frequently ward a penalty corner when they would be justified in giving a penalty bully, thus unduly benefiting the offending side.

It is true that the penalty corner is seldom turned to account, but that is more the fault of the players than the rule.

It is a phase of the game better explained by some of the overseas teams than by ourselves, and notably so by the brilliant India players. My experience of the average player taking a penalty corner is that he does not make sufficient use of the five yards allowed him from the edge of the circle on the back line and he plays the ball too much into the centre of the circle.

Working this out, you will find that the ball has to travel a much longer distance than defending players find behind the back line. In consequence, the ball comes only a fraction of a second on the edge of the circle before the defence is out.

If the player taking the corner hit would bring the ball five yards from the edge of the circle and play it straight up at right angles to the back line ample time should be given for a shot. At the same time the defence should so position themselves as to prevent the goalkeeper from being sighted.

There is such a thing as making the game too easy for the players, whereas it is better that they should be called upon to think things out. Thus we continue to hear about the substitution of a hit-in for a roll-in, or extending the 7 yards for a roll-in to 10 yards.

I see no reason for the present roll-in rule to be altered, and it is mainly a question of players being studious enough to make the best of it. In many respects the game is too haphazard, and it is only the player who applies his brains to it who gets to the top.

Our Daily Golf Hint

Mental poise and ability of a golfer make up more than the game. One must know what to do and what not to do at the right time.
—Helen Hicks.

BADMINTON**RESULTS AS EXPECTED****RECREIO, C.R.C. FREE LANCES WIN****DETAILED SCORES**

Recreio "A", Free Lances and Chinese Recreation Club won mixed doubles league badminton matches last evening, according to expectations.

The champions had things all their own way at Kowloon Tong where the home team lacked the services of Henry Kew. C.R.C., making full use of the advantages of playing at home also beat Recreio "B" decisively by seven games to two, while Free Lances were not seriously extended by St. John's Cathedral.

The detailed results and revised league table follow.

C.R.C. v. RECREIO "B"

Played at Causeway Bay, C.R.C. beat Recreio "B" by 7 games to 2.

S. P. Chan and Miss W. Cheung (C.R.C.) beat N. A. Beltrao and Miss M. Ribeiro 21-5; beat H. A. Barros and Miss S. Remedios 21-9; beat E. A. R. Alves and Miss A. Remedios 21-11.

W. C. Choy and Miss R. Perry (C.R.C.) beat Beltrao and Ribeiro 21-12; beat Barros and Remedios 21-7; beat Alves and Remedios 21-6.

S. W. Liang and Mrs. Liang (C.R.C.) beat Beltrao and Ribeiro 21-18; lost to Barros and Remedios 19-21; lost to Alves and Remedios 21-23.

ST. JOHN'S v. FREE LANCES

At the Cathedral Hall last night, the Free Lancers beat St. John's by 7 games to 2.

A. J. Bennett and Miss G. L. Dolg.

BADMINTON "PERFORMANCES" LIST

HELD OVER UNTIL MONDAY

The performances list of the players taking part in the Hong Kong badminton league which is a regular feature of the Telegraph, has, owing to pressure of space, been held over until Monday next.

(St. John's) lost to E. L. H. Shute and Mrs. Shute 0-21; lost to J. L. Anderson and Miss M. Griffiths 15-21; lost to A. L. Fisher and Miss A. Mackenzie 6-21.

G. A. Smith and Miss M. Smith (St. John's) lost to Shute and Shute 8-21; lost to Anderson and Griffiths 2-21; beat Fisher and Mackenzie 21-10.

David Kwok and Miss Peggy McCaw (St. John's) lost to Shute and Shute 14-21; lost to Anderson and Griffiths 5-21; beat Fisher and Mackenzie 21-13.

KOWLOON TONG v. RECREIO "A"

At Kowloon Tong last night, Recreio "A" beat the Kowloon Tong Club by nine games to nil.

R. E. Lee and Miss M. Xavier (Kowloon Tong) lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 8-21; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss C. Silva 2-21; lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss O. Ribeiro, Jr. 9-21.

N. A. E. Mackay and Miss T. Gonzalez (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Silva 8-21; lost to Remedios and Silva 10-21; lost to Carvalho and Ribeiro 6-21.

J. J. Alvares and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Silva 8-21; lost to Remedios and Silva 5-21; lost to Carvalho and Ribeiro 5-21.

LEAGUE TABLE

	Games	P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
Recreio "A"	4	4 0 33 3 8
C.R.C.	2	2 0 15 3 4
Free Lances	3	2 1 19 5 4
Recreio "B"	3	1 2 8 10 2
Kowloon Tong	4	1 3 10 28 2
St. John's	4	0 4 5 31 0
University	0	0 0 0 0 0

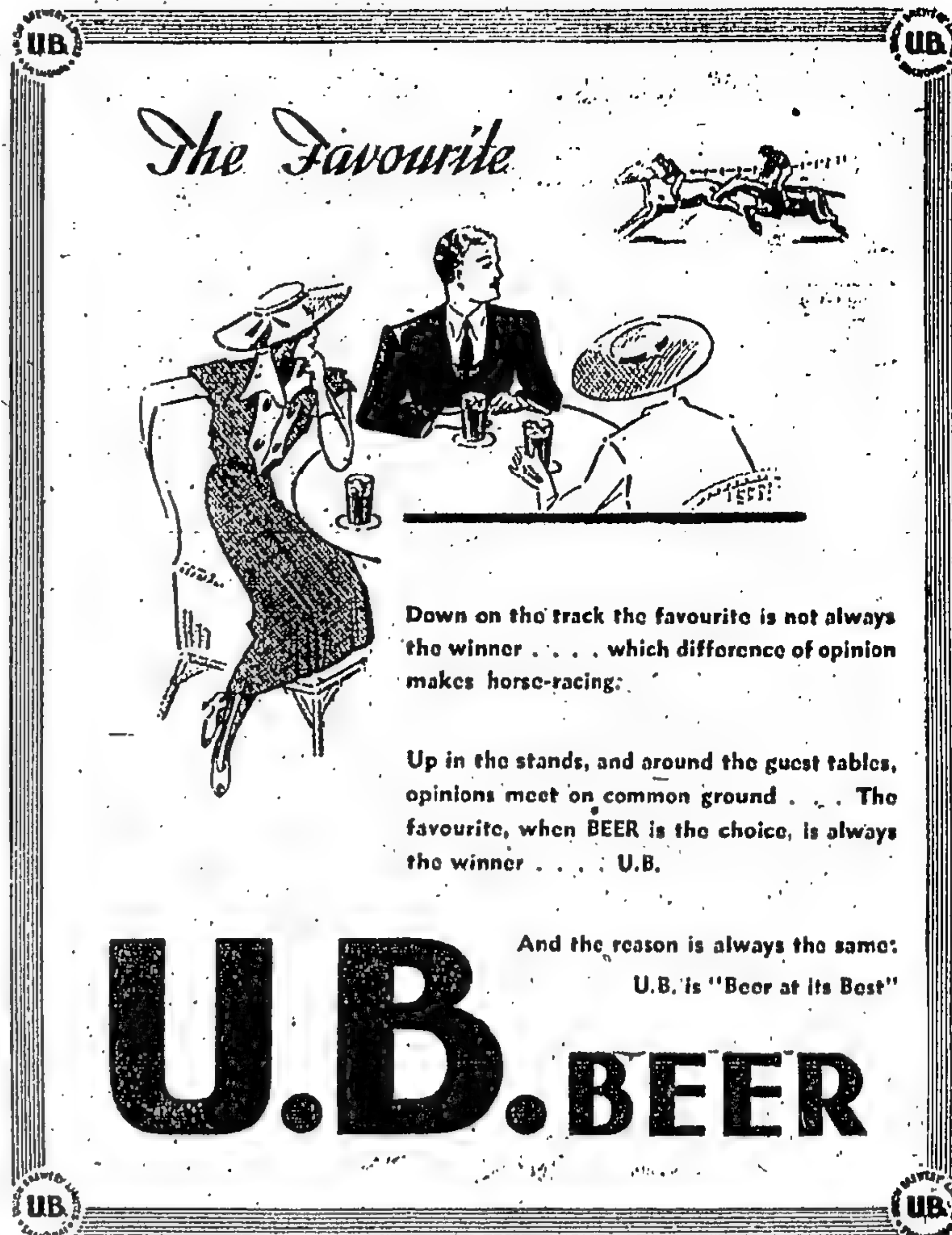
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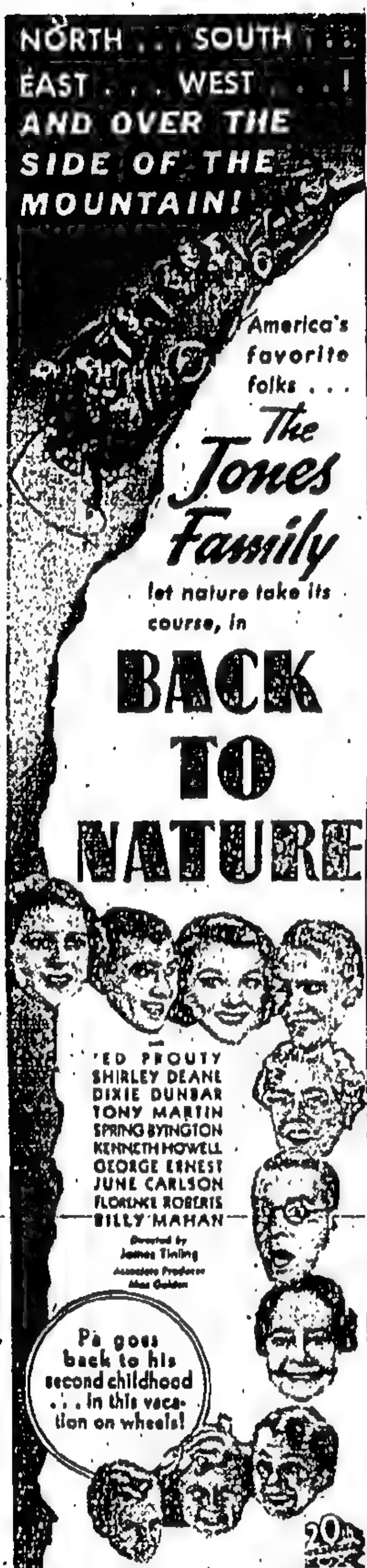
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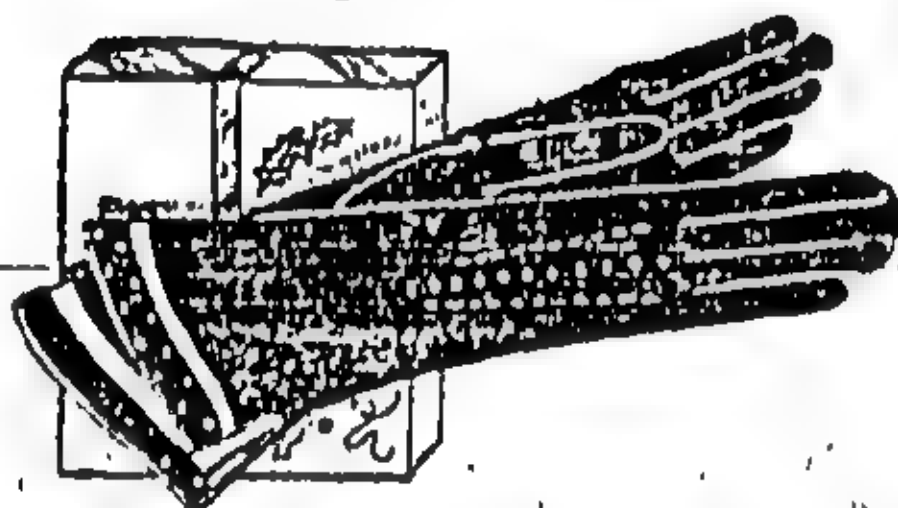
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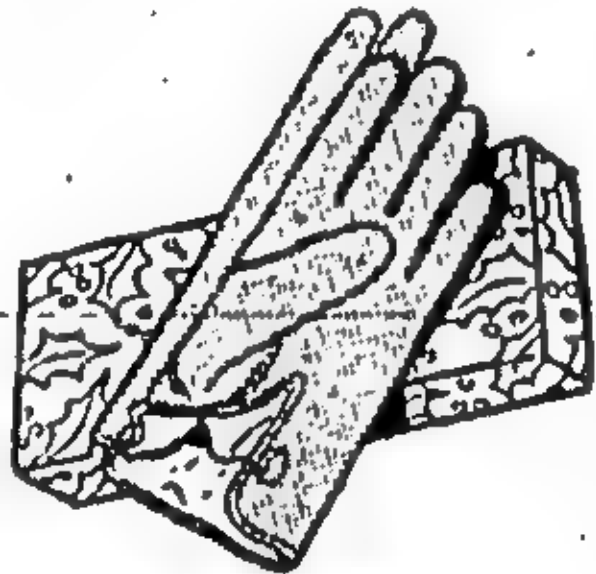


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"L" SECTION OF VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

The first annual dinner of the
"L" Section, Corps 1st Battery, of
the Hongkong Volunteer Defence
Corps, was held at Headquarters last
night when nearly 100 guests were
present.

Capt. T. Addis Marlin, Battery
Commander, was in the chair and
among those present were Col. A.
Burroughs C.R.A., Lieut.-Col. R.C.B.
Anderson, Commandant; Lieut. Col.
H.B.L. Dowbiggin, Major J. S. Dren-
nan M.C., R.A., Capt. G. S. Frizelle,
Lieut. J. T. Marsh, Lieut. Symons,
Lieut. C. Chaplin, and Lieut. D.
Marshall.

Letters regretting inability to at-
tend were received from Col. H. C.
Harrison and Major R. C. Gill. R.A.

In proposing the toast of the
guests, Capt. Marlin said:

The idea of forming "L" Section
of Corps 1st Battery had been mooted
some years ago but it was not till
December 1, last year that the first
recruits were sworn in and it be-
came a part of the Corps. It is in
their name that I offer to our guests
to-night a very hearty welcome.

At "A" Section dinner I assured
our Commandant of their loyal sup-
port; in the name of "L" Section I
assure you, Sir, of theirs also.
Colonel Anderson, gentlemen, has
endeared himself to every member
of the Corps and we appreciate
enormously the great interest he
takes in every member of "L" Sec-
tion. You can best repay him by
making yourselves individually and
as a Section into the keenest and
most efficient in the Corps.

I was present recently at the an-
nual dinner of the Royal Artillery
Association, and the C.R.A. In his
speech referred to the spirit of "com-
radeship" and "co-operation". That
spirit, gentlemen, prevails within "L"
Section, and we are deeply conscious
of the great honour of being affiliated
to the Royal Artillery in Hongkong.
"Once a gunner always a gunner"—
that old phrase so dear to us—rings
as true to-day as ever, and we are
proud of the friendly feeling exist-
ing between us all. I must thank
O.C. 20th Battery, and especially
the three instructors, for their in-
valuable help with our training.

Good Training

"L" Section is organized and
trained on exactly the same lines as
the parent "A" Section, and al-
though the training at the start was
considerably disjointed, it is now
running smoothly. Parades have
been held twice a month at H.Q. for
rifle drill and twice a month we do
gun drill at Belcher's Fort. Certain
members have volunteered for
special instruction in D.R.F. work
and gun laying, on Sunday morn-
ings, proving, if proof indeed be
necessary, how keen they are.

There is one point as your Battery
Commander that I must stress—
attendance at parades. We have a lot
of ground to cover before camp and
I have decided that all parades in
January and February will be de-
voted to gun drill and battery drill
at Belcher's Fort. If each mem-
ber of "L" Section will turn up re-
gularly determined to make himself
efficient I have no fears of the re-
sults we shall obtain at Camp.

I make no apology for striking a
personal note in conclusion. I will
admit I was just a trifle nervous in
accepting responsibility for "L" Sec-
tion, but how could I refuse. Mr.
Moses? He is my friend as he is
yours, and anything I have accom-
plished has been due almost entire-
ly to his efforts. But no section can
ever make itself efficient unless each
member pulls his full weight. I
cannot say how much I appreciate
your keenness and your loyalty, but
appreciate it I most sincerely do,
and I would ask you this evening to
accept my most grateful and heart-
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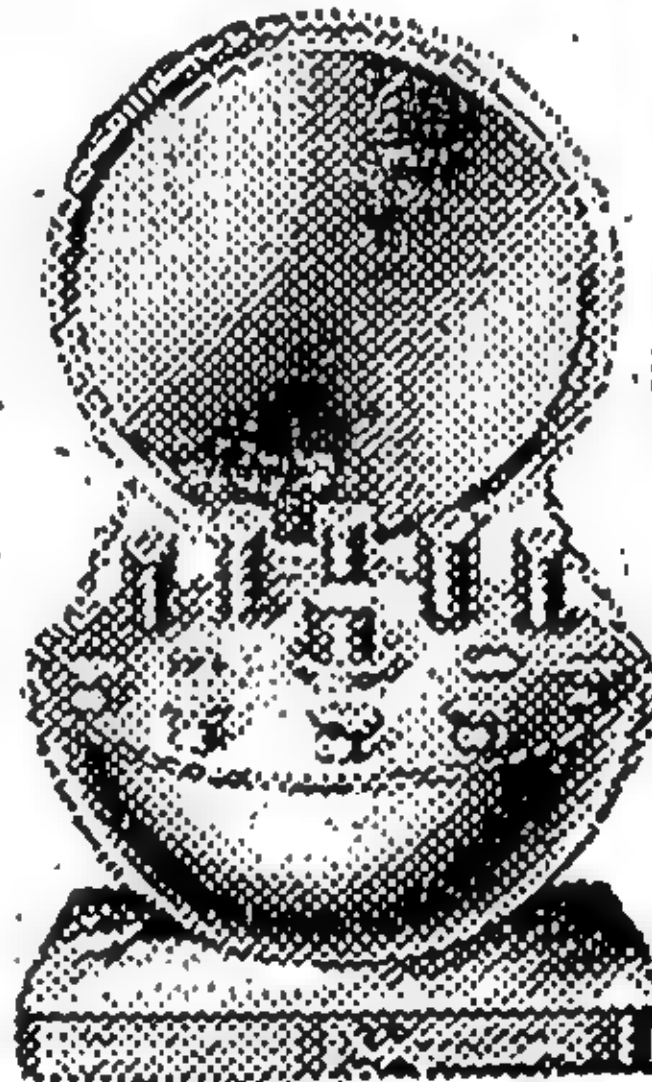
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Dr. Reichelt conducted the service and was assisted by the Rev. S. Hannerz and the Rev. N. N. Thelle, of the Tao Fong Shan mission, and four clergymen from Hongkong, the Rev. G. K. Carpenter, of St. John's Hall, the Rev. F. Short, of the London Missionary Society, the Rev. Paul Tso, of St. Paul's Church and Pastor Cheung of Hop Yat Church. After Dr. Reichelt's address, a reading was taken by each of the clergymen in turn and also by two of the students. It was a moving scene in the chapel when Pastor Wong knelt at the altar to receive the combined blessing of these representative Christian priests, each one placing his hand on Pastor Wong's head as Dr. Reichelt asked God's blessing on his coming ministry.

The chapel, in the form of an octagonal Chinese Temple with red pillars and blue tiled decoration, was a very fitting place for such a unique ceremony. In such a Chinese setting, the cross rising out of the Lotus flower, together with the picture of Jesus Christ above the altar, lifted all that is best in Buddhist symbolism into the spirit of Christian worship. All the students of the mission took part in the service and both Chinese and European visitors were present.

In his ordination address, the Rev. C. C. Wong gave a very moving account of the way he had been brought by step, along the road to Christianity and how the Spirit of Christ had helped him in a remarkable manner over many difficult places on the way. The spiritual and personal help of Dr. Reichelt and other members of the mission had made it possible for him to make this great choice of serving Christ.

At the close of the ceremony, everyone was invited to share the hospitality of the Tao Fong Shan at the evening meal with the new pastor. —Contributed.

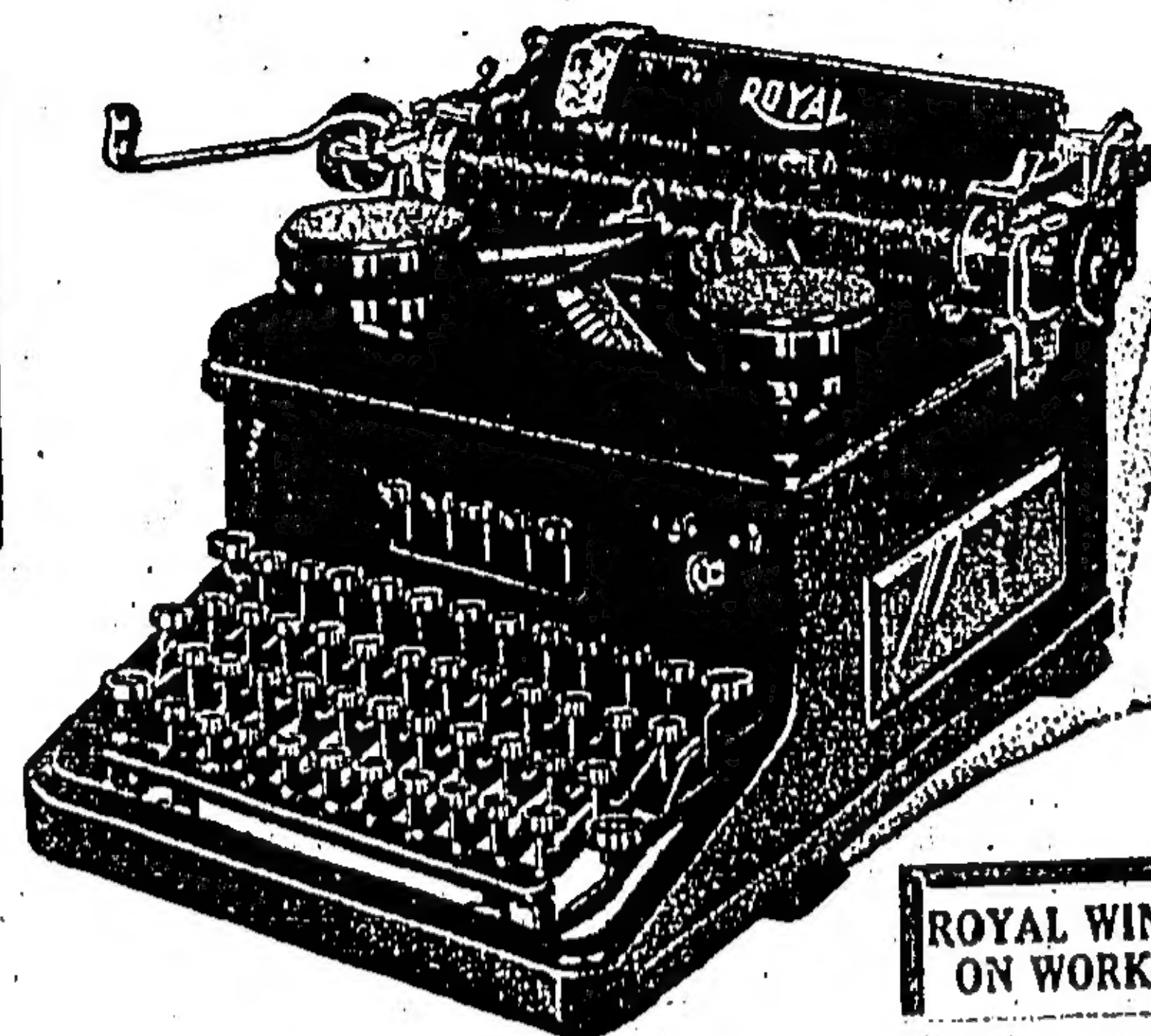
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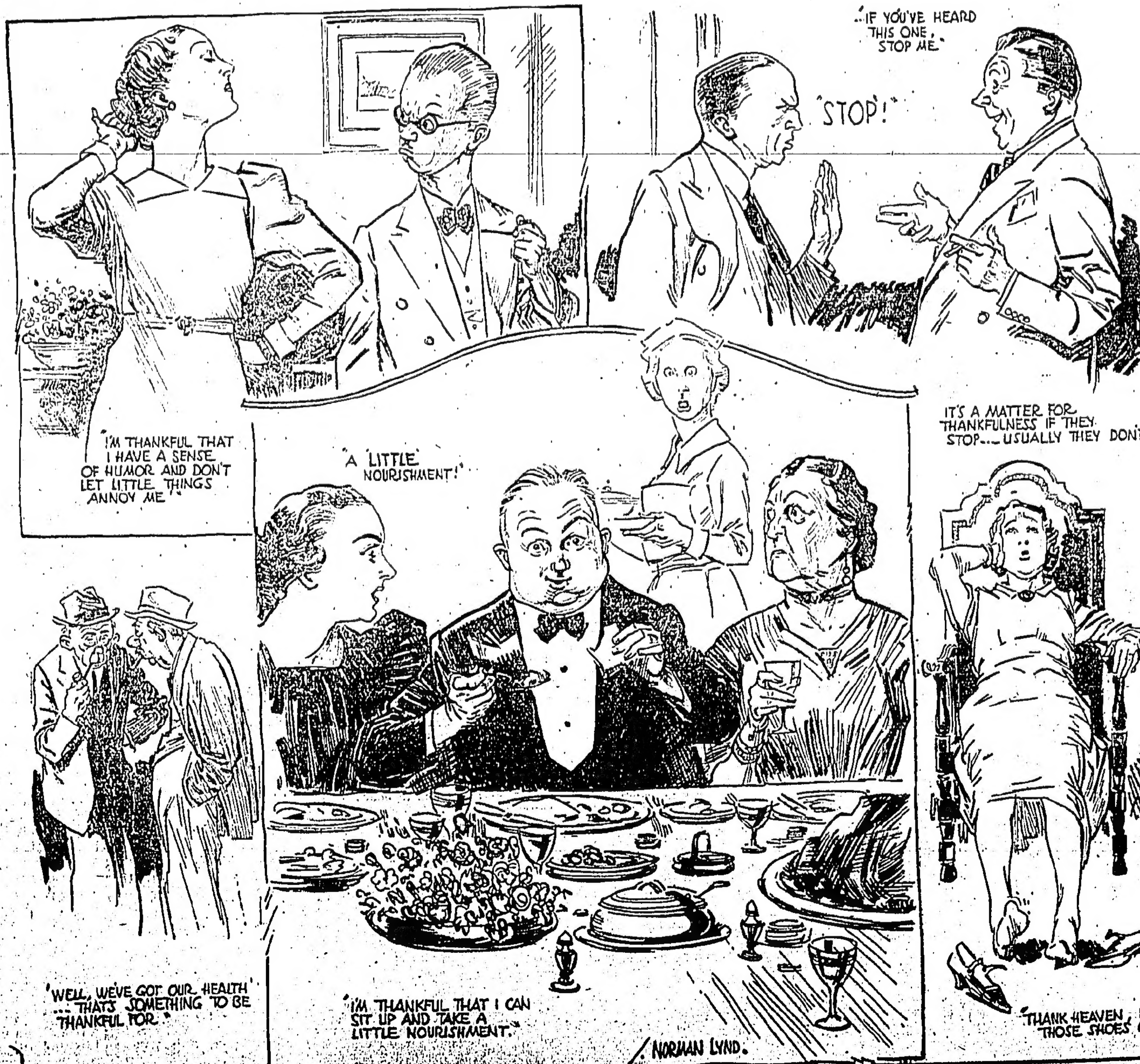
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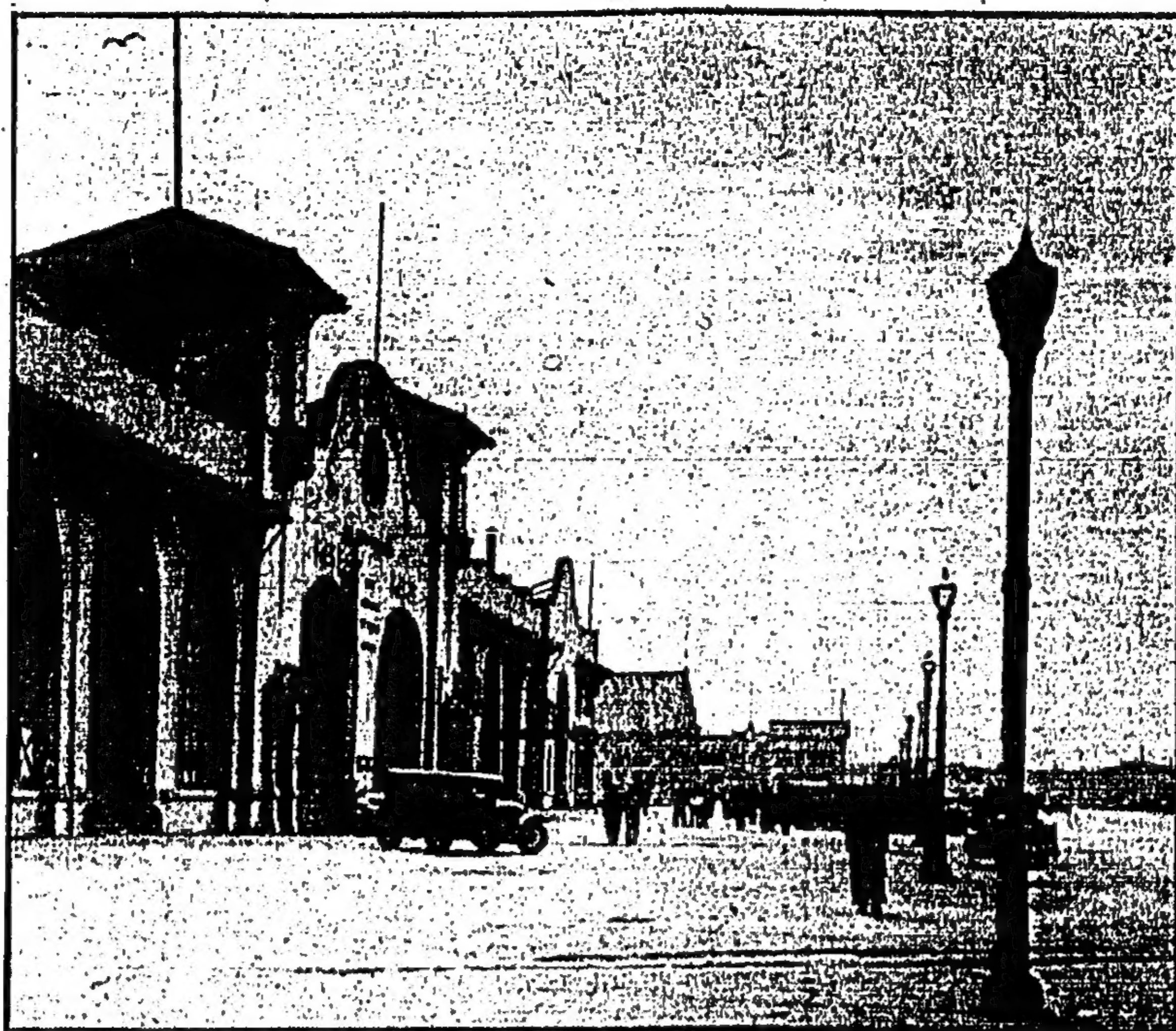
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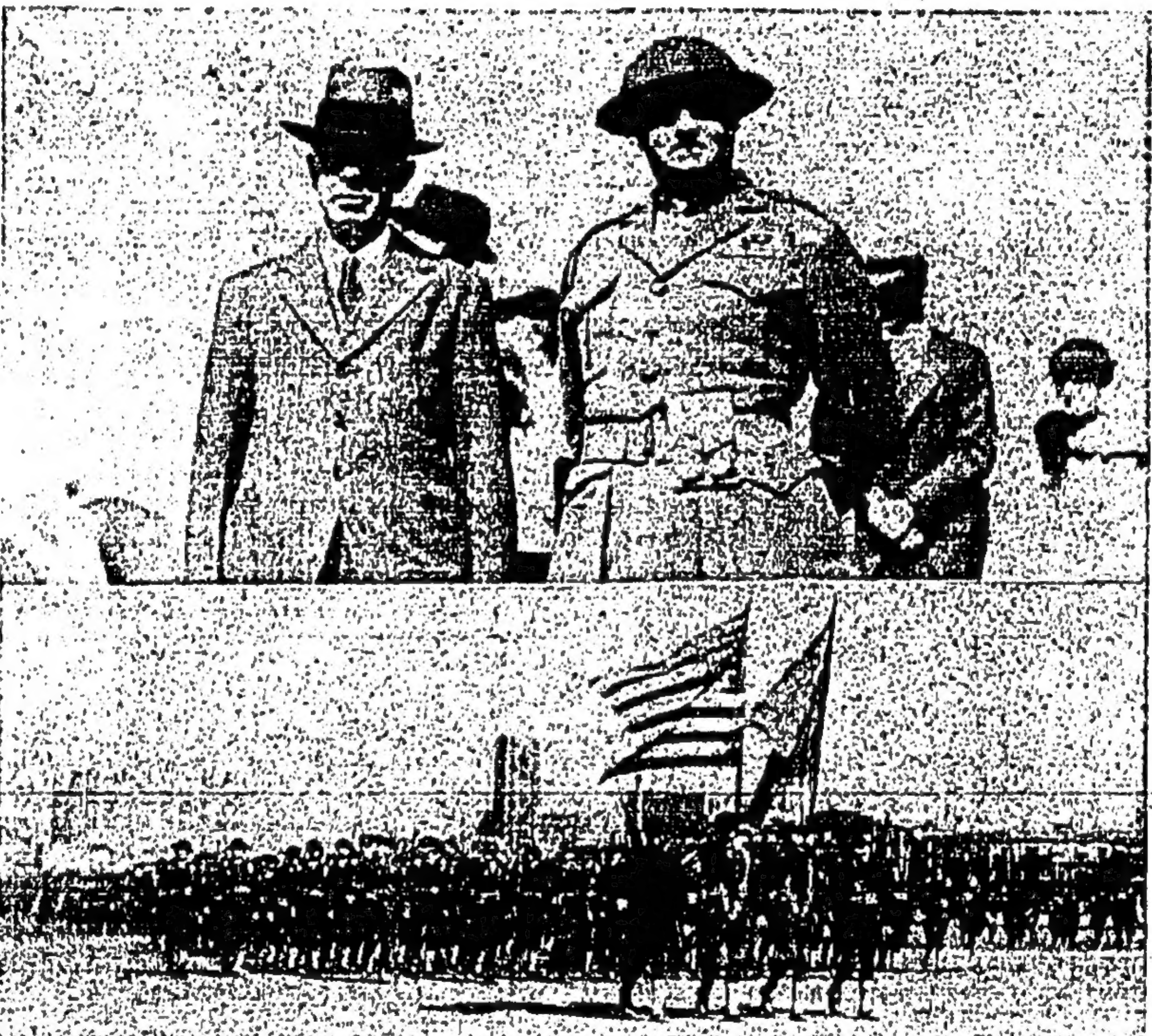
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From the sidelines, in civilian attire, Rear-Admiral Harry E. Yarnell recently viewed a parade by the U. S. Fourth Marines on the Race Course at Shanghai. Admiral Yarnell, who recently took over command of the U. S. Asiatic Fleet is shown at left above with Colonel F. B. Price. Below are shown the troops marching past for review by the Marine Commandant.

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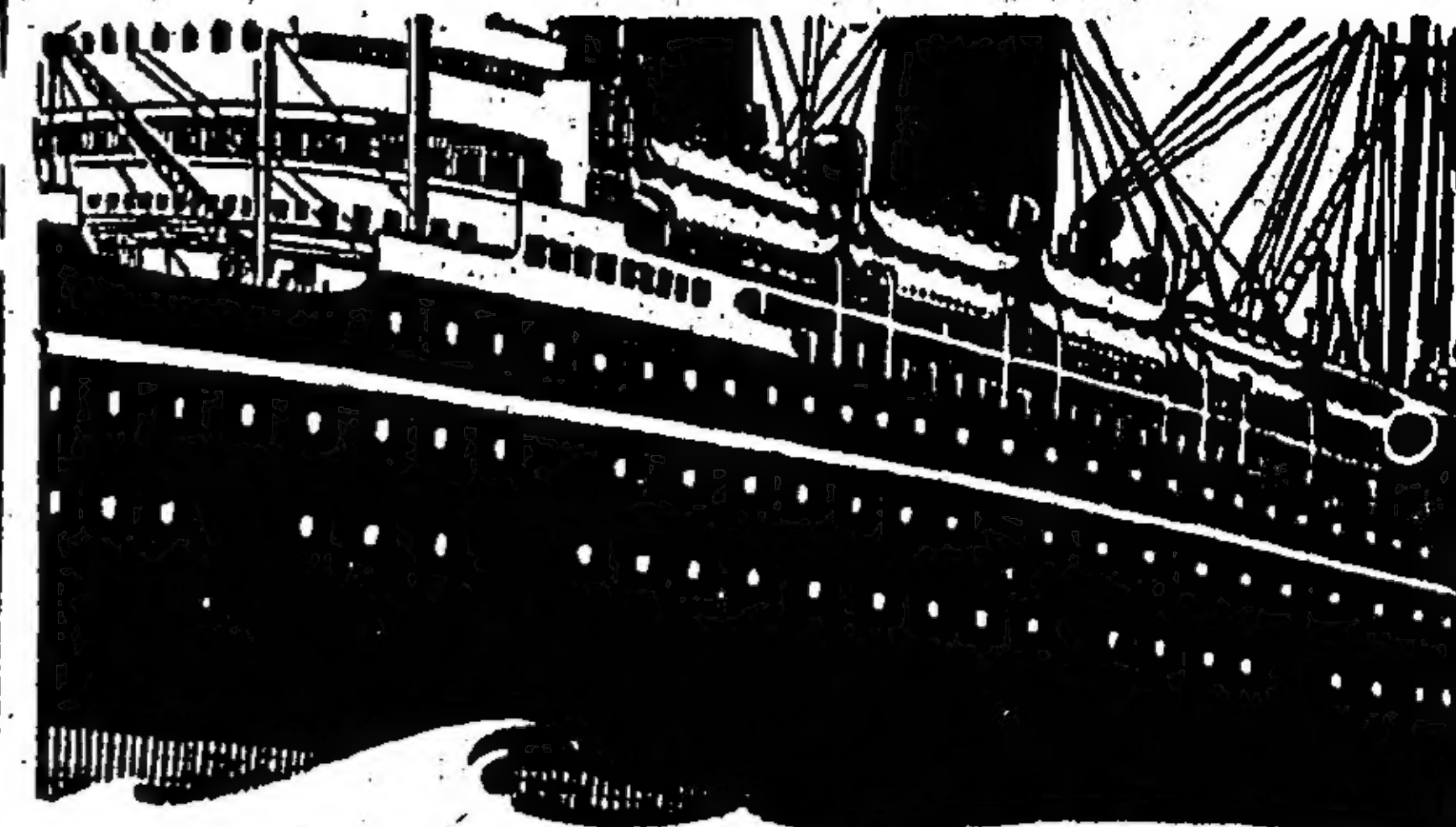
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NEW TIN QUOTA SCHEMES

METAL EXCHANGE DISAPPOINTED
EXPECTED MORE RESTRICTION

London, Dec. 11. The Metal Exchange showed some disappointment to-day with the announcement of a 100 per cent. quota for the first quarter of 1937, since most quarters expected a reduction to 85 and some even to 80 per cent. Only Malaya and the Dutch East Indies are cut by five per cent, it seems.

The Committee also approved a draft scheme for the renewal of control of production for five years from January 1, 1937.

The technical adjustments, it is held, affect the two leading producers, the Netherlands East Indies and the Malayan growers, for the benefit of Siam and the Belgian Congo, who are understood to be receiving substantial increases in tonnage under a new scheme, while the tonnage of other countries is largely unchanged. Though a five per cent. cut represents a decrease of about 500 tons per month from the Netherlands Indies and Malaya, others will probably show a larger production over the next three months, with a consequent rise of visible stocks during that period, which some hold will call a further cut in the quota, in spite of excellent consumption.

It is understood to-day's small cut was instigated by Bolivia, which is most anxious to higher prices in view of her inability to increase production. But the Dutch, who are alleged to be considerably overvalued, opposed a cut and with the British negotiating, a compromise involving a five per cent. reduction for Malaya and the Netherlands Indies was attained.—Reuter.

GEORGE VI RULES

(Continued from Page 1.)

Assent to the Bill of abdication made his brother ruler in his stead.

May Be A Queen

Queen Elizabeth was superintending the studies of a sweet-faced little girl of 19 years, who may be Queen Elizabeth II, unless a son is born to the Royal Family after six childless years.

Little Elizabeth is an imperious child, resembling Queen Mary, her grandmother.

Her sister, Princess Margaret Rose, is six. She knows something important is happening in the grown-ups' lives. She was told that her father was ascending the throne and asked at once: "What's happening to Uncle David?"

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, visited King George at his home to-day, and beamed when the crowd cheered and shouted: "Good old Stanley."—United Press.

POPE IMPROVING

Vatican City, Dec. 11. Pope Pius' health is considerably improved and he conferred with the Archbishop of Toledo regarding affairs of the Church in Spain, while Osservatore Romano ascribes his swollen legs to varicose veins.—United Press.

In connection with the sale of work held by the Women's Auxiliary of the Society for the Protection of Children at the Cathedral Hall on Thursday, ticket No. 28 won the handbag and ticket No. 99 the shawl.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The marriage of Miss Iris Audrey Frith to Mr. Albert G. F. Prew, of the Diocesan Boys' School, Hongkong, will be solemnised in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Wednesday, December 23, at 4 p.m. A reception will be held in the Hall of the Diocesan Boys' School, commencing at 5 p.m. No invitations are being issued but all friends are cordially welcome.

ROYAL PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS

SANDRINGHAM HOUSE PARTY

London, Dec. 11.

The Duke of York spent a busy morning at his Piccadilly residence. Soon after his succession to the Throne this afternoon, His Majesty was visited by the Prime Minister. The Duke of Gloucester was later called.

When His Majesty drove off in a car this evening he was warmly cheered by a crowd which has lingered all day outside his house. Nothing is yet known of the date when their Majesties will take up residence at Buckingham Palace, and it is thought likely that the King will for some time follow the example of King Edward in the early months of his reign in visiting the Palace daily to transact State business.

Newspapers believe that the plans which their Majesties had made as Duke and Duchess of York to spend Christmas with Queen Mary at Sandringham will not be altered. The new King celebrates his 42nd birthday on Monday, and flags will be flown on all Government buildings and a salute of guns will be fired.—British Wireless.

CORONATION SOUVENIRS

An Ordinance will shortly be introduced in the Hongkong Legislative Council to prohibit the sale, exposing for sale and the possession for sale, before June 1, 1937, of Coronation souvenirs without a clear indication of their origin.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. A. G. Clarke to be Deputy Clerk of Councils.

His Excellency the Governor, under instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has appointed Miss Monica Sandy Thompson to be a Nursing Sister.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones to be Postmaster General.

There will be a Whist Drive and Tombola in the R.A. Sergeants' Mess, Gun Club Hill, Chatham Road, Kowloon, on Sunday, December 13, commencing at 8.30 p.m.

BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 14th December, 1936. (The Birthday of His Majesty King George VI.)

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CIVIL WAR MIGHT SPREAD

SPAIN'S WARNING TO LEAGUE
BRITAIN'S STAND

Geneva, Dec. 11.

The United Kingdom's profound disappointment that the International Non-Intervention Agreement had not been more fully observed, was expressed by Lord Cranborne, chief British delegate, at the League of Nations' Council meeting to-day, called for the purpose of considering Spain's appeal against foreign aid being given General Francisco Franco's rebel forces.

Lord Cranborne, who is acting for Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, held at home by the internal crisis, said the forces of both parties in Spain were being augmented from foreign sources to a degree which had assumed alarming proportions.

The British Government considers the maintenance and strict enforcement of a policy of non-intervention must play an essential part in limiting and shortening the civil war.

The Spanish Foreign Minister, Senor Delvayo, in an unexpected mild speech, did not ask the Council to do anything in particular, but merely called attention to the grave dangers of the conflict spreading, and suggested the Council should envisage its responsibilities, particularly in view of an anticipated gas attack on Madrid.—Reuter.

PROTEST GOES TO MOSCOW

GERMAN DIPLOMAT ACTS AGAIN

Moscow, Dec. 11.

The German Ambassador here has been instructed to protest to the Soviet Government against the further arrests of German citizens in Russia.

The protest has been lodged.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

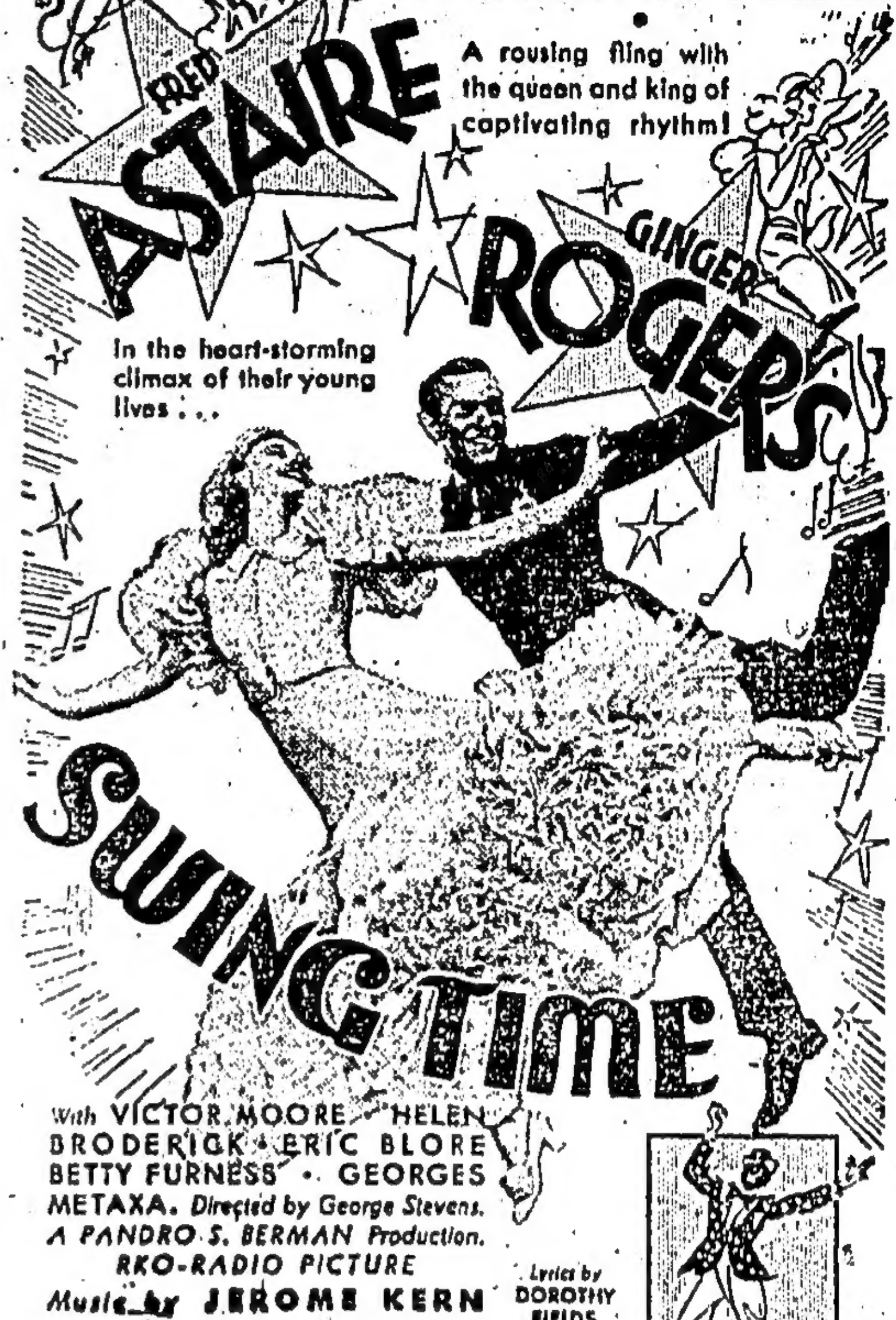
His Excellency the Governor has nominated Mr. Benjamin Wong Tape and Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.B.E., as Members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.

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